

Shultz endorses Israel's concern for its security

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WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State George Shultz said yesterday that Israel has "quite legitimate" security requirements in Southern Lebanon, but he noted that only the Lebanese government could determine how far it could normalize relations with Israel.

The secretary made the comment during nearly three hours of testimony before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Much of questioning was devoted to a review of the Middle East situation.

Shultz repeatedly tried to ease the concerns of pro-Israel lawmakers that the Reagan administration was tilting against Israel in the Lebanese troop withdrawal negotiations and in the search for a broader Arab-Israeli settlement.

At one point, he denied that the administration was "anti-Israel,"

adding: "We are forgetting the matter settled."

Responding to Lee Hamilton (Democrat, Indiana), chairman of the Middle East subcommittee, Shultz said that the "fundamental priority" for the administration was to achieve an overall settlement. But he said that prospect was unlikely without progress being made in removing all the foreign forces from Lebanon.

He said the "key" to expanding the peace process was King Hussein of Jordan, who, he said, had "very favorably spoken out" in support of President Ronald Reagan's September 1 peace initiative. Although the monarch had not yet announced a readiness to participate, "we think there is a reasonable prospect that he will want to enter the process."

At no point yesterday did Shultz (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

Reagan to meet with Arens

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — In a highly unusual gesture, President Ronald Reagan has invited Israel's defense minister-designate Moshe Arens to a farewell meeting next week at the White House, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned.

Administration officials last night said that Reagan hoped the meeting would help to create a more positive atmosphere in U.S.-Israel relations, which have been strained in recent weeks.

Reagan has invited visiting Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef to a brief courtesy call at the White House today. Last year Reagan held a similar session with Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren.

Administration officials have high expectations that the appointment of Arens to succeed Ariel Sharon as defense minister will improve U.S.-Israel ties. Thus, they said Reagan and Arens will discuss substantive issues. "This will be no courtesy call," one U.S. official said.

'Terror attacks increase since Lebanon invasion'

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

Rafael Eytan, the Prime Minister's adviser on terrorism, said yesterday that the number of terrorist attacks and attempted actions against Israeli and Jewish targets was larger since the Lebanon campaign started than in any other eight-month period.

Briefing the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Eytan said the

figures covered Israel proper, the areas, Lebanon, and Jewish and Israeli targets in the rest of the world.

Eytan said that terror activity always had its ups and downs, and Israel was now experiencing a period of increased activity.

He said that PLO links with international terror had been weakened after the destruction of the PLO infrastructure over the past eight months.

Fire bomb hurled at Israeli bus at Jenin

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A fire bomb was hurled at an Israeli civilian bus near the village of Araba in the Jenin district yesterday morning. No injuries were reported and the village has been placed under curfew.

A curfew is also in force in the village of al-Khader and the surrounding areas following a grenade and automatic rifle ambush on two Israeli vehicles near there on Tuesday evening.

The Dahariya refugee camp and the old market in Nablus are still under curfew, following incidents in recent weeks.

Although there were direct links between the PLO and the Soviet Union in the field of equipment and expertise, Eytan said, the Soviet Union was not directing the PLO in its battle against Israel. The PLO was acting independently.

He said that a split was clearly in evidence within the PLO, but Israel should not delude itself that this split would endure.

Eytan said that much effort was being invested to see that Israeli forces in Lebanon had security cover to enable them to fulfil their functions there.

He asserted that whatever government had ruled in Israel it would have decided sooner or later to strike at the PLO in Lebanon.

Deaths mount as bushfires ravage southern Australia

ADELAIDE (Reuters). — Bushfires killed at least 26 people yesterday in areas of southern Australia, tinder dry after the worst drought this century.

Vast tracts of two states, Victoria and South Australia, were declared disaster areas, with hundreds of homes destroyed and huge numbers of sheep and cattle killed.

Police said some of the victims were trapped in cars as flames suddenly swept across a major road leading from Adelaide into the outlying hills. Three firemen died in their truck as they were fighting the blaze.

People straddled the roofs of houses trying to douse the fires but, with water pressure low due to the drought, they were forced to flee as their homes burst into flames. Hundreds of people in the coastal town of Lorne, 110 kilometres

southwest of Melbourne, rushed to the safety of the beach as fire swept through the bush, gutting homes.

Ambulance brigades reported that 30 people were taken to hospital with burns and the effects of smoke inhalation in the southeast Adelaide region. A further 200 people were treated for burns elsewhere.

Residents in the suburban Adelaide Hills district fled their homes, dozens of which were destroyed. Police said four towns in the Mount Macedon area, about 80 km. northwest of Melbourne, had been evacuated.

Some areas of southern Australia have not had rain for years and there is no end in sight to the drought, which has led to thousands of sheep being shot for lack of pasture.

Import of cheap tomatoes proposed

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Consumers whose budgets have suffered from the recent high price of tomatoes may soon be offered some novel relief — tomatoes imported from the Canary Islands.

That proposal has been made by Ya'acov Feiner, adviser to Deputy Agriculture Minister Pessah Gruper. Feiner told *The Jerusalem Post* that he will demand that the Agriculture Ministry discuss his proposal immediately.

He explained that the import of tomatoes will create a sufficiently large surplus, to be bring about a

drop in price. It would also benefit the cost of living index, because one reason for January's high index of 3.5 per cent was the high price of tomatoes and other vegetables, he said.

By lowering the price of tomatoes and other vegetables we will also help our exports, since some farmers are selling tomatoes in the local market instead of exporting because of the higher prices here.

Feiner said the cost of importing the tomatoes from the Canary Islands was sufficiently low to make them competitive on the local market.



Prime Minister Menachem Begin and several other cabinet ministers in the first row of seats glance over their shoulders toward the coalition back benches yesterday at the Knesset, as votes are counted for the unsuccessful opposition motion of no confidence. (Ruhaimin Israeli)

'Outlaws will be shot,' Salem vows Lebanese Army moves to control all Beirut

BEIRUT. — The Lebanese Army

has orders to shoot anyone, including Israelis, who contests their control of greater Beirut, Foreign Minister Elie Salem announced yesterday, as French and Italian troops backed up the Army's takeover of the eastern half of the capital.

"The army has instructions to shoot, has instructions to act like any army and not to negotiate with outlaws," Salem said at his news conference. "Every force that encounters the army in the greater Beirut area, whether it is formal or informal, is in the context of Lebanese law an outlaw."

Salem said his government had ignored "Israeli objections" in asserting its authority throughout the capital. He explained that Israel had objected on Monday night to the operation, arguing that it would change the status quo.

"We told the Americans that

Israel was not involved in this operation, and that Lebanon will not interfere with the logistical routes that Israel uses," he said. This was a reference to roads south to Sidon, southeast to Damascus and east into the Upper Metn mountains, all of which pass through the area defined as greater Beirut.

Salem also said there had been no agreement with Israel on the future of Maj. Sa'ad Haddad, who for five years has run an Israeli-backed militia in South Lebanon, and this week set up garrisons in Sidon and Nabatiya.

Reacting to Israeli reports that Haddad and his men could be incorporated back into the Lebanese Army, Salem said any indication that this had been agreed is incorrect. He said the future of the Haddad forces is among issues to be resolved at the Israeli-Lebanese-

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Few Lebanese volunteer for national army service

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Despite widespread reports from Beirut, there has been practically no spontaneous enlistment into the national Lebanese Army.

The Lebanese government has made an attempt to enlist the country's youth into the national army since the end of the Lebanon war.

Informed sources say that fewer than 10 youths have joined the army in response to the campaign.

The sources explain that youths of enlistment age decide to join their own ethnic militia, rather than the national army.

Sources in Maj. Sa'ad Haddad's Southern Lebanese militia say they have no information that youths from Southern Lebanon have joined the Lebanese Army despite reports otherwise in Jerusalem.

During Haddad's recent deploy-

ment throughout the 40-kilometre-deep security belt in Southern Lebanon, an average of 15 youths from each village have joined Haddad's militia.

Haddad's militia is being funded by taxes imposed on South Lebanese villagers, as well as by money from Israel.

For the third day, yesterday Haddad announced an expansion of his enclave in the south. Haddad told reporters that his men had moved into the west Bekaa Valley town of Housh al-Qannabi, about 16 kilometres north of the Israeli border, and set up a new position.

Haddad's militia staged a parade in the city of Nabatiya, 56 kilometres south of Beirut on Tuesday, and in Sidon, 40 kilometres south of the capital on Monday, announcing the cities were now part of his "Free Lebanon."

Ministers discuss Lebanon talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The ministerial steering committee for the Lebanese negotiations convened yesterday and spent most of its 90-minute meeting discussing reports on the talks held in Haide, Kiryat Shmona and Netanya.

The situation in the subcommittees negotiating normalization and security arrangement was also discussed. The higher-level steering committee met this time without Minister Ariel Sharon and according to informed sources, there was a marked improvement in the atmosphere.

Israel's basic position on all issues such as warning stations inside Lebanon has not changed, it was stressed. But the improved tone of the negotiations might make it easier to bridge the differences between the Israeli and Lebanese negotiators, it was said.

The normalization subcommittee is due to meet in Netanya tomorrow morning, but this session might be called off because the diplomat heading the Lebanese team, Ibrahim Harman, has been ill, and it is not clear whether he will be able to get to Netanya.

IDF runs Lebanese roadblock

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
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An IDF armoured convoy yesterday forced its way through a roadblock manned by Lebanese troops, who this week were sent into East Beirut to restore their government's sovereignty.

According to the IDF spokesman, the Lebanese Army erected the roadblock yesterday morning near Monte Verde, east of Beirut.

The Lebanese soldiers "attempted to prevent an IDF patrol from passing through. The patrol, under the command of a colonel, burst through the roadblock and continued on its way eastward, in the direction of the town of Beit Meri. There were no exchanges of fire," the spokesman said.

His account contradicted Lebanese reports as relayed by the Associated Press. According to that version, Israeli tanks and two armoured personnel carriers tried to pass a checkpoint in the Sinn El-Fili neighborhood. "One Lebanese

Army officer who witnessed the incident said there was a tense, half-hour argument," AP reported. "The Lebanese spokesman and the officer said the Israeli patrol turned back." Witnesses said French soldiers later reinforced the soldiers at the checkpoint. French-made Panhard tanks were also sent there.

The IDF spokesman's announcement emphasized that Israel "has no intention of discontinuing the patrols, which are a routine part of the ongoing security activities in the region." He added that the incident occurred in territory under IDF control.

The harsh tone was softened later in the day with Israeli military sources describing the incident as "a misunderstanding." They said the incident occurred on the IDF's usual route to Beit Meri, and suggested that the newly deployed Lebanese troops were possibly not aware of it.

The IDF also sought to downplay the significance of the brigade commander's presence. (The presence of a battalion commander in a recent clash with U.S. Marines near Reihan University caused speculation that the IDF was on some sort of a probing mission. Questioned about this possibility, a military source said there was no such mission.)

The colonel was merely "a hitchhiker," who had joined the patrol to (Continued on Page 7)

No-confidence bids rejected by full Knesset

By ASHER WALLFISH
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An onslaught on the government against the background of the Kahan Commission's report into the Beirut refugee camp massacre failed to produce an upset yesterday when the coalition closed its ranks and rejected motions that the government didn't merit the confidence of the Knesset.

Three no-confidence motions — proposed by the Alignment, Shinui and the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality — were defeated by 64 votes to 56, the entire Knesset complement. The three motions were voted on together.

Leading for the Alignment, former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin said that the Kahan Commission's revelations of government bungling last September gave rise to profound concern that the same thing conceivably could have happened more often during the eight months of the Lebanon war without being probed.

Rabin said that the gulf between the expectations of the government and the outcome of its decisions was never so wide as in the Lebanon campaign. He said he was making the comparison with the three wars forced upon Israel by its enemies in which Israel fired "the first shot": the Sinai Campaign, the Six Day

War and the Lebanon campaign. Rabin angrily rebuked former defence minister Ariel Sharon (without naming him) by scornfully rejecting Sharon's warning that approval of the Kahan report would leave a "mark of Cain" on Israel for all time. "That is baseless slander," Rabin boomed, since no Israeli was directly involved in the massacre, no conspiracy lay behind the events, and the truth had been brought to light without a cover-up. Cain, he recalled, was marked for life, because he shrugged off responsibility for killing his brother.

Rabin asked rhetorically whether the ministers who decided on the campaign had had any idea that it would last as long as it had, and be as costly as it has been.

The Kahan report stated expressly that it would relate to personal responsibility only and not deal with parliamentary responsibility. Rabin noted, Hence, it was the duty of the Knesset to take up the issue of parliamentary responsibility, even though the coalition majority against the motions of no confidence was predictable.

The government had malfunctioned in its process of deciding to send the Phalange into the Sabra and Shatilla camps, as well as in the follow-up into the effects of that decision. It had proved itself incapable of evaluating the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Labour, Likud, both deny initiative National unity bug hits, but fever subsiding

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Likud sources and sources close to Prime Minister Menachem Begin yesterday belittled the scurry in some political quarters to set up a national unity government. In the Alignment, meanwhile, "National unity fever" accentuated internal divisions and escalated tensions.

By last night the situation was at a total standoff, with neither side willing to make the first move. Sources close to Begin said that he "will not even consider taking any initiative as long as a Labour Party central committee resolution against any form of political partnership with the Likud is not rescinded."

The sources said Begin had several times in the past called for a government of national unity, only to be "insultingly rebuffed. He is not about to court another rejection."

Sources close to Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres said they "would wait until Begin takes the first step." No one has invited Peres for any talks, and so the whole question is pure speculation they said. If an official proposal is made by the Likud, we will take it up in Alignment forums.

This was the answer which the three Tami MKs received yesterday when they met separately with both Begin and Peres. It was also the answer given each of the many other intermediaries who put out feelers. These included National Religious Party figures MK Avraham Shapira of Agudat Yisrael, Minister without Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat of the erstwhile Telem list and Likud MK Meir Shitrit. But the most con-

centrated effort came from the small parties such as Tami and the defunct Telem.

MKs in both major parties noted that there is almost a rush on the part of some politicians to appoint themselves intermediaries because of the publicity this would accord them. But there were other theories as well. Mapam secretary-general Victor Shemtov alleged that the initiative for the move had come from Begin, "who is sending undercover agents to test the situation unofficially in a desperate bid to save his failing government."

But on the other side of the political arena, Liberal Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Patt maintained that "this is a desperate trial-balloon sent up by Peres and his people. They planted the story in the press, and they go through the same ritual every time another great hope of theirs to bring the government down fails. Every time this happens, you can bet that the next day, they will begin spreading rumours about contacts to set up a national unity government. This time it all comes against a background of an inability of the parties to even agree on a joint anti-violence resolution."

Sources close to Begin said that "the talk is just talk, and is not being taken seriously in the Prime Minister's Office or among Likud ministers." They admitted that there was an inquiry from the NRP about whether the decision to award the defence portfolio to Israel's ambassador in Washington, Moshe Arens, is final, or whether the portfolio could still be reserved for an Alignment member. But the reply, according to Begin's aides, (Continued on Page 3)

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Forecast: Scattered showers in the north and centre, partly cloudy in the south.

Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
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Jerusalem	54	8-12
Golan	68	8-13
Ashdod	62	10-17
Safed	66	6-10
Haifa Port	—	14-17
Tiberias	42	10-21
Nazareth	57	9-18
Alula	57	9-18
Shomron	57	9-18
Tel Aviv	56	13-20
B-G Airport	61	11-18
Jericho	44	10-22
Claz	70	12-18
Beersheva	59	10-17
Eilat	37	12-24

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

World Zionist Organization Executive Chairman Arye Dulin yesterday hosted a reception in Jerusalem for 40 French rabbis, including France's Chief Rabbi Rene Smuel Sirat, who attended a two-day seminar organized by the WZO's organization department.

Forty Jews from Rome visited Kiryat Shmona yesterday, attending the dedication of a library at the Yavne elementary school there, towards which they donated the equivalent of \$425,000 in memory of the Jewish infant killed in a terrorist attack in Rome last year.

ARRIVALS

David Gordis, vice-president of the University of Judaism and executive director of the Foundation for Conservative (Mesorati) Judaism in Israel, to deliver the keynote address at the 14th biennial World Council of Synagogues Convention, and for foundation business.

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criticize Israel. This was in contrast to a February 7 statement by Reagan which accused Israel of delaying its withdrawal from Lebanon.

He refused to discuss the incidents involving U.S. Marines in Lebanon and Israeli soldiers. In fact, the secretary seemed to go out of his way to reaffirm the administration's basic commitment to Israel's security.

He praised Israel for implementing the Kahan Commission's recommendations. He said: "I find that extremely impressive." He denied that the U.S. had formally guaranteed the safety of the Palestinians in the refugee camps — as repeatedly alleged in recent months by the PLO.

He expressed concern over the Soviet Union's introduction of SA5 surface-to-air missiles in Syria, but he noted that Israel was currently in a strong military position compared to its neighbors.

Asked about the administration's decision to delay the sale of 75 additional F16 fighters to Israel, Shultz said the matter was still being considered by Reagan.

Shultz said he personally had been assured by Syria's foreign minister that Syria would remove its forces from Lebanon together with the departure of the Israeli troops. The PLO, he said, had made similar assurances to the Lebanese government.

"A peaceful Lebanon, sovereign over all its territory, will make a major contribution to Israel's security," he said in his opening, prepared statement.

"The policy of the administration is to support our friend Israel in its efforts to secure security and to do everything we can to help bring peace to the Middle East. The administration's programme... is a very strong and supportive programme.

"The speech that the President made on September 1 goes to extraordinary lengths to recognize the importance of the security of Israel. There isn't any ambiguity about it whatever."

In response to other questions, the secretary defended the U.S. decision to make available \$450-million in low-cost, surplus agricultural sales to Iraq. He called it a "non-military shipment of agricultural products and I think, under the circumstances, it is a fitting one. The sale was approved despite Iraq's continued refusal to re-establish diplomatic relations with the U.S. — severed during the 1967 Six Day War."

HOME NEWS

Arafat's stand on U.S. plan assailed at PNC parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter and agencies

The meeting of the Palestine National Council entered its third day yesterday with strong statements from radical members of the body. But members of the Palestine Liberation Organization close to chairman Yasser Arafat still claimed that his idea to promote peace negotiations through Jordan would prevail.

Farouk Kaddoumi the PLO's "foreign minister" led the attack on Arafat's position yesterday with a hard-hitting speech that also implicitly criticized Arafat. Kaddoumi said U.S. President Ronald Reagan's peace plan was an "attempt to liquidate the Palestinian revolution." He also called for a "decisive confrontation" with the Reagan plan, which advocates confederation between a Palestinian West Bank and Jordan, but excludes the PLO from any direct role in the negotiations.

The position of the Arafat loyalists is that even though the Reagan plan falls far short of their demands, it should not be rejected out of hand. Late on Tuesday night

one of Arafat's chief lieutenants, Khalil Al-Wazir (Abu Jihad), claimed that the Palestinian leaders had reached an agreement to approve the principle of confederation with Jordan — one of the key elements of the Reagan plan.

Khaled Fahoum, the PNC's speaker, whose statements have appeared to favour outright rejection of the Reagan plan, said yesterday that the Palestinians want a state "in Gaza and the West Bank, with Jerusalem as its capital."

"We do not want to destroy any state in the region," he added in a rare and explicit statement weakening the demands of the Palestinian Covenant for all of Israel.

The PLO's chief spokesman, Ahmed Abdel Rahman, one of Arafat's closest advisers, said a headline PLO minority, backed by Syria and Libya, tried in vain to pressure the PNC into an outright rejection of the Reagan plan.

Arafat refused to go beyond labelling the Reagan plan as inadequate and unacceptable in its present form.

"The Reagan proposals have definitely not been rejected outright," Abdel Rahman said.

Compromise seems near on lecturers' PLO disavowal

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

West Bank university authorities and the Judea and Samaria civil administration are nearing a compromise over the authorities' demand that foreign lecturers undertake not to support the PLO.

On Sunday, representatives of the about 100 foreign faculty members at four West Bank universities are to give civil administration officials their response to a modified work-permit application form, the result of negotiations between the Israeli officials and university authorities.

The original undertaking was a specific statement on a separate document, which the foreign lecturers were told to sign as a condition for receiving the work permit. The demand, made last August, was rejected by almost all of the foreign lecturers as an infringement of their academic freedom, and led to sharp criticism of Israel abroad, especially from the U.S. State Department.

After consultations with the Justice Ministry in Jerusalem, the civil administration modified its demand late last year. A statement that support of the PLO was an offence under the (military) laws applicable in

the territories was included in the work permit application itself. But the change was rejected as "cosmetic" by the lecturers, who did not accept the universities' advice that they sign.

Earlier this week, the acting head of Birzeit University near Ramallah, Dr. Gabi Baramki, met the head of the local civil administration and proposed that the following phrase be added at the end of the application form: "I have read these conditions and understand their contents." The application would contain a flat statement that the PLO is an illegal organization.

The civil administration and the office of the coordinator of activities in the territories have accepted this, and are demanding that the lecturers now sign. Most of their work permits have already expired and many have been warned that if they continue to teach, they are liable to be prosecuted.

The universities hope that the new wording at the end of the application form will allow the lecturers to see the conditions as something applied unilaterally by the authorities, and not a voluntary undertaking by themselves.

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significance of its own decisions, he said.

Listing a number of findings which "shocked and amazed" him, Rabin included:

- the failure to seek the approval of the prime minister before sending the Phalange into the camps;
- the notification of the cabinet after a delay of a day-and-a-half;
- the failure to inform the prime minister, resulting in his hearing details only on Saturday from the BBC;
- the malfunction of cabinet decision-making on September 16, including the absence of any situation evaluation, although there was sufficient time for it;
- the failure to notify additional factors, such as the Mossad, before the night of September 16; and
- a series of additional lapses throughout the three days probed.

Rabin said he could not fathom how the government's aim, defined as preventing the Phalange from taking vengeance against the Moslems after Bashir Jemayel's assassination, could lead to a decision to send the Phalange into the camps.

He quoted in full the testimony of Deputy Prime Minister David Levy to the commission to prove the "indifference and insensitivity" of the cabinet to his (Levy's) warnings. He said that the government did not merit the confidence of the Knesset, because of its indirect responsibility for the events, as spelled out by the Kahan Commission.

Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, replying for the government in a generally low-key speech, noted that the commission had not blamed the government for the actual decision to send the Phalange in, but rather for its failure to consider the implications and take the precautions required to prevent harm to

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ing done to non-combatants.

Nissim denied that the commission had ruled that there had been malfunctions in the governmental process as a whole. He said it had recommended that certain defects which occurred must be remedied, and the government, in accepting the report, had committed itself to do just that.

He said that the Ministerial Security Committee would appoint an expert or experts — as the report recommended — to study what defects there had been in the functioning of systems and suggest the appropriate remedies.

The IDF, he said, had observed stricter moral standards in all its wars than any other army in the world and had paid a heavy price for doing so.

Meir Wilner (DFPE) said that 70,000 Palestinians and Lebanese had been killed or wounded in the campaign, in addition to the IDF's 500 dead and thousands wounded. He said the root of all evil was Israel's occupation of Arab land and its total "subservience" to a foreign power — the U.S.

"This government is destroying society and endangering the state," Wilner said.

Amnon Rubinstein (Shinui) accused Sharon of slandering the IDF by his statement to the Knesset some months ago that the IDF was "knowingly involved" in the 1976 Tel az-Za'atar massacre. A few days after the Sabra and Shatilla massacre, he said the government had lied to the Knesset about details of what had occurred.

Rubinstein said that even though Begin testified to the commission under oath, it had taken the unprecedented step of doubting his word regarding the crucial question of whether he should have forced the massacre.

Eliezer Avtahi (NRP) said the most important task was to close ranks against Israel's accusers overseas. Zvi Renner (Likud-Liberals) said the Alignment provided ammunition for slanders against the state. Imri Ron (Alignment-Mappam) said the Kahan report had lent Israel new dignity in the family of nations.

Abba Eban (Alignment-Labour) said that Sharon's 20 months in the Defence Ministry had been a nightmare.

Shlomo Lorincz (Agudat Yisrael)

Son's acquittal of patricide may help convicted murderer

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Daniel Hanoch, 50, was acquitted yesterday by the Haifa District Court of the murder of his father three years ago. It was the second time he was charged with the crime, and his acquittal is seen as setting a possible precedent in the case of Amos Baranes, who is serving a life sentence for the 1974 murder of a woman soldier.

Hanoch was acquitted after the court ruled that his confession and reconstruction of the crime were inadmissible, having been extracted by pressure. The charges against him were based on the confession and reconstruction which the court ruled were unacceptable.

Amos Baranes's conviction was also based on his confession and reconstruction of the murder, which retired police officer Ezra Goldberg and other people convinced of his innocence maintain were extracted from him in a similar way.

The first time Hanoch was charged for the murder of his father, Pinhas, 81, a cigarette peddler and money-changer at Haifa Port, the prosecution dropped the charges when an internal police investigation found that evidence against him had been fabricated.

Hanoch was released and the police investigators who questioned him, Inspector Yisrael Mizrahi and Sgt. Yosef Binter, were put on trial. They were acquitted a few months ago by the Haifa District Court and Hanoch was again charged with the murder of his father.

During the trial, the prosecution submitted Hanoch's confession and reconstruction of the murder of his father, who was found with his throat slashed. Hanoch again claimed that both his confession and the filmed reconstruction were forced out of him, and a trial-within-a-trial was held to determine their acceptability.

In their verdict acquitting Hanoch, Judges Amnon Carmi,

Haim Pizam and Avraham Hermon sharply rebuked the police for contradictions in their testimony. The judges accepted Hanoch's claims that he was deprived of the medical treatment and food he needed for his ulcer condition while in custody, noting that this must have contributed to his breaking down and "admitting" his guilt.

Another contributing factor towards Hanoch's breaking down, the judges stated, was his prolonged interrogation, which lasted continuously for days while his questioners changed shifts. The judges also accepted Hanoch's claim that he was tricked into performing the reconstruction.

More than three years ago, Ezra Goldberg gave then-justice minister Shmuel Tamir a memorandum showing the method by which the police investigating Amos Baranes obtained his confession.

A former police interrogator, Goldberg pointed out certain commonly used phrases in the confession, in which the defendant expresses regret and asks for mercy. Goldberg obtained Hanoch's confession in his own handwriting, and said it was identical in form to the one Baranes gave police.

The head of Hanoch's investigating team, Yisrael Mizrahi, also participated in the investigation of Baranes. Goldberg said. He noted that Tamir was impressed with the similarities of the two confessions and Deputy Attorney General Yehudit Karp was sufficiently convinced by them to re-investigate the Baranes case and recommend holding a second trial.

"The same police officer who dictated Baranes's confession to him inserted the identical phrases, Baranes, too, was forced to perform the reconstruction of a murder he did not commit. Now that Hanoch has been acquitted, Baranes also should get a second trial, to re-examine his confession and reconstruction," Goldberg said.

20 Baha'i leaders face death in Iran

LONDON (Reuters). — Twenty leaders of the Baha'i faith have been sentenced to death in the Iranian city of Shiraz for spying and for alleged links with Israel, officials said yesterday.

A spokesman for the Shiraz Islamic Court said the tribunal tried 21 Baha'i leaders and passed death sentences on 20 of them. One of the defendants, a woman was pardoned.

The spokesman told Reuters by telephone that the court's verdict on the 20 had been confirmed by the Supreme Judicial Council which in turn had sent it to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

The Iranian leader is studying a list of prisoners in preparation for an amnesty to mark the fourth anniversary of the Islamic revolution.

The spokesman said adherence to the Baha'i faith, a universalist religion which Iran's religious leaders consider heretical, was not a crime in Iran. He said 100 Baha'is were under detention in Shiraz where there were 20,000 members of the faith, founded in the 19th century.

He said the 20 leaders had been condemned to death because: "not only did they not regret what they had done, they were also proud of their religion and actions."

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Television news takes on hues

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Last night's TV news seemed a little brighter than usual, as *Mabat* was broadcast in colour for the first time since Israel TV started nearly 15 years ago.

After weeks of experimentation at Studio B in Jerusalem's TV House, technicians turned off the "eraser" and allowed viewers to watch in colour.

The Broadcasting Authority's management was not certain that *Mabat* would be in colour until the last moment — when the news staff works committee reached an agreement with authority director-general Yosef Lapid and TV director Tuvia Sa'ar. The works committee had claimed that the equipment was not ready.

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Court bars eviction of Sinai villagers

The High Court of Justice yesterday issued a temporary injunction barring the defence minister from evicting the nearly 2,000 residents of a refugee settlement near Rafah, known as "the Swedish Village."

Residents of the seaside village — all of whose 130 families earn their living from fishing — petitioned the court after the Gaza and Northern Sinai District commander announced last Thursday that they would have to leave. The residents say they have been living there as refugees since 1949 under UNWRA administration. The village was extensively rebuilt in 1965 with the help of the Swedish government — hence its name.

In April 1982 following the withdrawal from Sinai, all the village houses were located on the Israeli side of the border with Egypt. Israeli authorities set up a security fence along the demarcation line, destroying 30 village houses to create a border strip 150 metres wide.

Last week the residents were told they would have to leave within two days and would be relocated some five kilometres from the sea in the Tel al-Sultan region, where they would be housed in temporary structures. If they did not leave,

their village would be declared a closed military area, the residents said.

The residents said in their petition that the area of their proposed relocation would make their continued livelihood as fishermen impossible. They also claimed that the military authorities intend to give their homes to a nearby Nahal outpost, Nahal Katif, which would then be expanded into a full-size military/agricultural settlement.

The residents deny there is any reason of security for expropriating their village, but say that if they are forced to leave they will demand the same compensation paid to Jewish evacuees from Sinai. Justice Yehuda Cohen set a hearing of the petition by a panel of three judges in the presence of the attorney-general. (Itim)

Prayer to be taught

The history and order of Jewish prayer is to be introduced on an experimental basis as a high school subject, the Education Ministry announced yesterday.

A ministry team will adapt the subject to secular pupils and it will at first be taught only to schools that ask to take part in the experiment.



Lebanese President Amin Jemayel (right), wearing army fatigues, raises his fist and shouts orders during the deployment of Lebanese Army units in predominantly Christian East Beirut on Tuesday. (UPI telephoto)

Carter due in March to visit Israel, Egypt

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Former U.S. president Jimmy Carter is to visit Israel during the first week in March, according to Leon Charney, a New York Democratic Party activist who has remained close to Carter, in a

telephone conversation from New York with *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. Charney said that Carter will come on a private visit first to Israel and then to Egypt. He intends to stay in the Middle East for about three weeks.

Shatilla massacre. Tamar Eshel (Alignment-Labour) warned that Sharon would be a danger to democracy in whatever post he occupied. Nava Arad (Alignment-Labour) said the government had split the nation apart and caused hatred between brother and brother. Aharon Abuhatzira (Tami) devoted his speech to a call for a national unity government. In another item on the agenda, the Knesset voted on three separate motions to sum up Tuesday's debate on the murder of Peace Now demonstrator Emil Grunzweig last Thursday outside the Prime Minister's Office. Intermittent contacts between the coalition and the opposition throughout the day failed to produce an agreed joint resolution. The DFPE motion was defeated by an overwhelming majority, while the coalition motion was passed by 62 votes to 56. Knesset Speaker Menachem Savidor abstained, saying he did so to express his protest at the failure to reach an agreed motion at this grave juncture in the life of the nation.

In deep sorrow, we announce the death in New York on Tuesday, February 15, 1983 (Adar 2, 5743) of our dear father and teacher

Rabbi

JACOB BENJAMINI י"ב

The coffin will arrive in Israel from New York today, Thursday, February 17, 1983 (Adar 4, 5743). Details of the funeral from Tel. 057-39538, 065-87426/7. His son, Haim, will sit shiva at his home in Beersheba, Tel. 057-39538. His son, Moshe, will sit shiva at his home in Kibbutz Ma'aleh Gilboa, Tel. 065-87426/7.

The Family in Israel and New York

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of

LOUIS REUTLINGER י"ב

Elsa Reutlinger
Shlomo and Blossom Reutlinger
Ruth and Micha Botmoch
Shiva begins today at Rehov Sokolow 3, entrance A, Apartment 4, Jerusalem.

In deep sorrow we announce that our beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother

LISA DREIFUSS

passed away in Chicago on February 15, 1983.

Aliza and Yochanan Dreifuss, Jerusalem
Ruth Marx, Chicago
David, Noga, Ayal, Liora

We announce with sorrow the passing of our partner

ZEV BAIREY

The funeral will be held today, Thursday, February 17, 1982 at 1 p.m. at the old cemetery in Haifa.

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HARRY SINGER

Devoted supporter of Yiddish Language studies and benefactor of the university, and extends condolences to the family.

We regret to announce the death of

PAUL PADWA

The funeral will take place today, Thursday, February 17, 1983, leaving at 2.15 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for Kiryat Shaul Cemetery.

Son: Jack Padwa, and Family
Daughter: Ann Segal, and Family

Concert helps finance boy's surgery

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A benefit performance on Tuesday night in Beersheba raised some \$500,000 towards financing a liver transplant necessary to save the life of five-year-old David Horowitz. At least another \$52.4 million is needed.

The Horowitz family plans to leave Beersheba on February 27 for Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the only place in the world where the operation is performed on children.

The 1,200-seat Keren Cinema was filled, and several hundred people were left standing outside after all tickets were sold. The show, hosted by Danny Pe'er, featured entertainers Avi Toledano, Ofra Haza, the Adler Trio and Motti Giladi. Peace-ship owner Abie Nathan, who contributed \$100,000, also bought several paintings during an auction of donated items.

David was born with a severe liver defect, and surgery at age seven weeks failed to correct it. He outlived a "death sentence" pronounced by doctors when he was two, but several weeks ago, his condition began to deteriorate rapidly.

His doctors recommended an immediate liver transplant, and David was accepted as a transplant candidate by Dr. Thomas Starzl of the University of

Pittsburgh Medical Centre, who pioneered the surgical technique a decade ago.

But the 20-hour operation, involving a team of 60 doctors, nurses and technicians, will cost a minimum of \$80,000. David's father, Yigal Horowitz said last night. The Pittsburgh hospital also confirmed by phone that the cost could run as high as \$150,000.

The Health Ministry has officially approved the trip to the U.S. for medical purposes, making the medical costs tax-deductible, but is offering no financial help. The Horowitz family's insurance fund, Kupat Holim Me'uhedet, has undertaken to cover hospitalization fees at prevailing Israeli rates (currently, about \$3,700 a day). Hospitalization in the U.S. now costs up to 10 times that, between \$700 and 1,000 a day.

A public committee, headed by Beersheba Mayor Eliahu Nawi's wife Bruria, is working to help cover some of the costs of the operation. In addition to Tuesday's show, a benefit soccer game between Hapoel Beersheba and the national team is being planned.

Contributions to the Fund to Save David's Life may be made through three Beersheba banks: Bank Ozer LeHayal, Rehov Herzl 85, account no. 14-363-05-180990; Bank Leumi, main branch, account no. 921-53199-60; and Bank Hapoalim, main branch, account no. 631-476883.

Survey notes delinquency ethnic factor

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A decline in the percentage of juvenile delinquents from Oriental background noted in a recent report may mask a trend towards greater delinquency among youth of Georgian origin.

A report on youth referred to the probation service of the Labour and Social Affairs Ministry cites the drop in delinquency among Oriental youth as a positive trend. In 1970, these youths made up 87 per cent of those referred to the service, while in 1981 the figure dropped to 78 per cent of the 9,500 cases handled.

Youth probation service head Levy Eden, said that this might indicate a more equal distribution of

juvenile crime. But it was possible, he said, that the trend reflected youth of Georgian origin, who are classified statistically in the European America category since they come from the Soviet Union.

Sociologically, the Georgian immigrants are similar to Oriental Jews in their adherence to tradition, authoritarian family structure and larger number of children per family. Juvenile delinquency is often symptomatic of the difficulties faced when these families are exposed to the permissive, secular society of Israel.

Close to 78 per cent of all youth referred in 1981 came from families with four or more children, and even among those of western origin,

the rate was 45 per cent.

Despite the overall drop in the percentage of Oriental delinquents, Eden noted that the frequency of crime among this group was still intolerably high. For example, about 22 out of every 1,000 youths from Oriental background were referred to the service, while among those of western origin, the rate was seven per thousand.

The report also noted that in 1970, 4.6 per cent of juvenile offences were for disturbing the peace, while in 1981 this rose to 7.2 per cent. Crimes involving drugs rose from 0.3 per cent in 1970 to 2.2 per cent in 1981. Crimes against property dropped, however, from 79 per cent to 63 per cent.

Syndicate sees good year for diamonds

By DAVID KRIVINE
Post Economic Correspondent

"Diamond sales at the retail level did not drop appreciably last year. The crisis was caused mainly by de-stocking," Alex Barbour, of the Diamond Trading Company (DTC) popularly known as the "Diamond Syndicate" told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Prospects for 1983 are favourable, because "jewellers have run down their inventories and must step up their purchases, which is good news for the producers," he said.

Trade and Industry Ministry Director-General, Abraham Asheri hastened to tone down any excessive optimism by "predicting" unchanged exports of around \$900 million, although exports in December-January were up 10 per cent over the corresponding period of last year.

Barbour and fellow DTC director Michael Grantham are in Israel for discussions. The meeting takes place twice a year, alternating between Britain and Israel.

Inventories abroad rose in 1980 and 1981 to an exceptional level because diamonds attract speculative buying. "Jewellers had bought ahead. Instead of two months' stock, they sometimes had a year's stock in hand," Barbour said.

Another cause of the current recession in the gem business, according to Barbour, is the shift to smaller stones, because customers have less money to spend. "India, which sells the smallest diamonds, has hardly been affected by the slump."

He said that labour forces in Israeli and Belgian processing plants have dropped by half. The decline was greater still in the U.S.,

which processes the largest stones.

Israel's exports fell by 15 per cent in 1982, from \$1,067m. to \$905m., according to Controller of Diamonds Ephraim Lahav. Almost two-thirds of the decline is due to a drop in prices for the kind of gem that Israel sells — from \$493 to \$449 a carat.

The Syndicate controls 85 per cent of the world's raw material supply and is generally skillful in preventing excessive fluctuations. Barbour still sees the industry as a growth sector. "Three new mines are coming on tap in Botswana, which will make that country one of the world's major producers of roughs," he said.

"We estimate that, on the average, prices will stay ahead of world inflation. Total sales should continue their traditional steady growth of 5 per cent a year."

NATIONAL UNITY

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was that "the appointment is final. Begin decided to act quickly, to prevent a lot of political wheeling and dealing. The train has already been set in motion and cannot be stopped at this point," they said.

They noted that "as long as the Arens appointment was only one possible option, Begin did not put any offer officially to Arens, but let cabinet secretary Dan Meridor be his contact man. But now that Begin personally asked Arens to become defence minister, he is not about to back down."

On the Alignment side, it was nearly impossible to find anyone who would openly espouse the idea of a national unity government, although the party was rife with rumour to the effect that Peres and his rival, former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, are "both very interested." The theory is that now that their hopes of bringing the government down in the wake of the Kahan Commission report have evaporated, they are seeking high

executive office to fortify their leadership positions in the party and close off president Yitzhak Navon's possible political options.

Sources close to Peres hotly denied such assertions, but rumours in Labour had it that Peres and Rabin were already discussing their portfolios in the national unity government, and that these talks had already run into considerable trouble. According to these sources, Peres is seeking the post of deputy prime minister, with the understanding that Begin would fire his present two deputies — Simha Ehrlich and David Levy — and that he appoint Peres acting prime minister in his absence. Rabin, say the Labour sources, had demanded that he be guaranteed the defence portfolio, or he will not play along.

Peres, it is reported, has made the appointment of Rabin as defence minister conditional on an understanding from his rival to never again challenge Peres for the leadership of the Labour Party.

Otherwise, reaction to talk of a

national unity government has been negative in both large parties. Patti said that "considering all the mud slung at us in the past few days by Labour MKs, I wonder why they would want to enter our government at all, although I understand that Peres would like to appear as an acting prime minister."

"It would serve us to remember that Begin's popularity in the polls is approaching 60 per cent, while Peres's is less than three, the minister continued. "The government has emerged strengthened from the recent crisis, and has no need to rehabilitate Labour. Moreover, a national unity government with radically polarized opinions within it on the eve of crucial foreign policy decisions would lead to paralysis."

On the Alignment side, reactions were even sharper. Mapam, the CRM and MK Yossi Sarid warned that they would break away from the Alignment if such a coalition were formed. There were indications that potential Navon supporters also objected, and that the odds are much greater against a national unity government proposal than was the case in the past when similar initiatives fell through.

Even Peres supporters like Alignment Knesset faction chairman Moshe Shahal and Labour secretary-general Haim Bar-Lev came out against the idea.

MK Ya'acov Tzur, a kibbutz movement leader and one of the Rabin camp heads, sees a national unity government "as a government of national deception. It would merely paper over deep differences in ideology and policy." The idea was also opposed by the heads of the party's two large branches, MK Uzi Baram of Jerusalem and Eliahu Speiser of Tel Aviv.

In Mapam, Shmoyt voiced the belief that "all this talk is an unfounded rumour, intended to shake up Alignment unity." Party elder statesman Ya'acov Hazan told the Mapam central committee last night that "this could lead to a government of national suicide. It is a monstrous suggestion that could result in catastrophe."

NRP leader Yosef Burg said on television last night that "there are no contacts between any of the parties over the establishment of a national unity government, though there are some people who would like to become matchmakers." He denied having attempted to play such a role himself, saying, "Had I seen a green light from either of the two large parties, I would have made a try, but there is no green light to be seen."

He added that one way to do away with any chance of establishing a national unity government is to publicize negotiations to set it up.

Shulov ends 42 years at Biblical Zoo

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Aharon Shulov yesterday spent his last day as director of the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo. After 42 years on the job, he has decided that "the time has come to change horses."

The 75-year-old Shulov, who founded the zoo, will be replaced by Meir Shavit, director of budgeting at the Jerusalem Municipality. Shavit is a long-time member of the zoo's board and was selected from among 20 candidates.

Shulov has denied persistent rumours that he was ousted from the job, maintaining that "I myself proposed leaving over a year ago, and I voted for Shavit." But Shulov said he will continue to visit the zoo every day.

Shulov said he hoped the municipality would increase its funding of the zoo. Last year, only 6 per cent of the zoo's budget was funded by the city, with the rest coming from admission fees and donations.

This year, municipal funding will amount to about 25 per cent of the total. But Shulov says the increase is to compensate the zoo for the several months it was closed last year when a rabid fox was found inside the premises.



Biblical Zoo director Aharon Shulov offers a bouquet to Annie the giraffe during his last day on the job yesterday. (J. Fishman)

Prospect of ex-Irgun envoy irks UK

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — If Israel asks the British government to accept Eliahu Lankin as its next ambassador in London, it would present "an embarrassing problem," because he is "a former Irgun terrorist," *The Daily Telegraph* reported yesterday on its front page.

In a report headed "Irgun man may be envoy," the paper said that the Begin government is considering sending "a former Irgun terrorist" as its ambassador here. It recalls that Lankin "took part in the bombing of the British CID headquarters in Jerusalem, and his appointment could embarrass the foreign office."

The Guardian also highlighted his past, commenting that his appointment is "notable for the fact that Lankin was a commander in Mr.

Begin's Irgun organization, and as such was sent by the British to a prison camp in Eritrea in 1946."

The Times on Tuesday headed its report "Irgun veteran set for London," and recalled his arrest by the British and his subsequent organization of branches of "the extremist organization."

A Foreign Office spokesman said on Wednesday that no name has yet been submitted by the Israelis, and therefore he could not comment on Lankin. But speaking in general terms, he said that "one always hopes that a sending government would not put forward the name of anyone whom it thought would cause embarrassment to the receiving government. Given that the role of an ambassador is to promote good relations between two countries, one normally tries to find someone who would be acceptable."

Argov defendant 'feared Mossad'

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Marwan Al-Banna, one of three men accused of the attempted murder of Israeli ambassador Shlomo Argov here last June, told the jury at the Old Bailey yesterday that he was "afraid of the Mossad."

Al-Banna was arrested 40 minutes after the shooting while driving a car with another accused Naouff Rosan. Also in the car was a woman with "terrorist activities," in it.

Al-Banna claims that he was asked to look after the case by a man called Jabber. He said he thought of going to the police when he saw what was in the case, but Rosan advised him not to because "Jabber might be very dangerous and I could be harmed."

He added that the Mossad can get information from the police in

England about the exact situation, and my family and myself could be harmed by their. I didn't want to get more involved in this by informing the police."

Al-Banna was born in Nabulus in 1961 and his father, a merchant, still lives on the West Bank.

Asked by his defence counsel, Michael Kennedy, if he had ever belonged to a political organization, Al-Banna replied: "I have political views."

"Is that concerned with the Palestinian situation?"

"Yes."

"Do you consider yourself as belonging to any political group?"

"I am a political member, but not a registered member, in the Palestine National Liberation Movement."

He denied that he was connected with "terrorist activities," then in England or elsewhere.

Complaint against 'obscene' TV film

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Ya'acov Tabak, a member of the Jerusalem Religious Council, has filed a complaint against Israel TV for screening what he regards as an "obscenely" during a *Mabat* item on the carnival in Brazil.

Tabak was incensed by the broadcast of an imported film showing part of the Rio de Janeiro carnival, in which a near-naked woman dancer was shown, and in which a man massaged the leg of another woman dancer.

Immediately after the "offensive" broadcast on Tuesday night, Tabak

called news director Yair Stern, who told him that the segment from the carnival was chosen for its "news value."

Dissatisfied, he filed an official complaint at Jerusalem police headquarters against Stern and Israel TV, according to Section 214 of the criminal code regarding obscenity and pornography.

Broadcasting Authority director-general Yosef Lapid and TV director Tuviyvi Sa'ar commented that the clip from the Brazil carnival was shown around the world, and that Israel TV "doesn't censor such things."

1,466 sign 'There's a Limit' petition

By LEA LEVAVI

TEL AVIV. — The "There's a Limit" organization has obtained 1,466 signatures on a petition denouncing the war in Lebanon, leaders of the organization said at a meeting here yesterday.

A speaker at the meeting was Sara Yablenco, whose son, Anatole, is serving a second 30-day jail sentence for refusing to serve on the West Bank.

Yablenco said that her son's conscience "does not allow him to op-

press other people," and added that his "contention that violence against West Bank Arabs will lead to violence against our own people was proven right by the killing of Emil Grunzweig."

The group's leaders said they were mainly concerned with soldiers who refused to serve in Lebanon, but they "understood" those who did not want to serve on the West Bank for reasons of conscience, and felt they should be granted the same status as conscientious objectors.

Yad Vashem honours West German couple

Esther Maria Seidel of West Germany is to receive a medal and plant a tree at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem on Monday, in recognition of risks taken by her and her late husband Hans during World War II to save two Jewish sisters.

Valerie Wolfenstein, now of Giessen, Germany, was a childhood friend of Seidel in Berlin, where they lived until 1942. In that year, the Seidels moved to Munich, and shortly afterwards, Wolfenstein and her sister had to go into hiding. The German couple made arrangements for their well-being, first in the village of Tinnering, then with a doctor in Munich, and finally in

their own home.

Esther Maria Seidel, who now lives in a retirement home in Munich, is currently visiting Israel.

Haifa Bay polluters

HAIFA. — The recently formed Haifa Bay Cities Union on Environmental Quality yesterday called on the Interior Ministry to take action against polluters.

The union, comprising representatives from Haifa, Kiryat Ata, Kiryat Motzkin and Kiryat Bialik, named the Electric Corporation and the oil refineries as the principal polluters in the area.

X-ray technicians' dispute closes clinics for one day

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The X-ray units at all sick-fund and outpatient clinics were shut yesterday and hospital X-ray units worked on an emergency basis for one day only, while the country's X-ray technicians met in Tel Aviv to discuss signing the collective wage agreement.

The 1,000-member union is one of several groups which did not join the wage agreement reached at the end of last year.

The union decided yesterday not to sign the agreement "for the time being" chairman Naim Ramati told *The Jerusalem Post*. "We support the agreement in principle, but our

demands are not concentrated (wage rises)."

The union is seeking more positions for X-ray technicians "to decrease the amount of time the public must wait for X-rays and also to ease the pressure on us," he said.

The union also demands an improvement in safety precaution for technicians to reduce their exposure to radioactive materials Ramati said.

"We want to discuss these subjects with the employers before we take any further action. The union is not planning any strikes or sanctions at this time," he said.

All X-ray units will operate normally today.

Peace Now gathering today to get extra police guard

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police plan to search everyone coming to today's memorial gathering in Jerusalem in memory of Emil Grunzweig, who was killed in a grenade attack on a Peace Now demonstration a week ago.

The gathering, at 5:30 p.m., will be held on the spot where Grunzweig was killed, opposite the Prime Minister's Office. Peace Now spokesman Tzali Reshef last night said that thousands are expected to come to the gathering which is to be both a memorial to Grunzweig — at the end of the traditional week of mourning — and a notice that the movement will not be intimidated into surrendering its right to freedom of expression.

Author Amos Oz is to be the only speaker at the gathering, which is expected to attract many who are not ordinarily Peace Now supporters. A plaque is to be unveiled at the spot where Grunzweig was killed. Reshef said that permission for placing the plaque had been obtained from the municipality and from the Bank of Israel, on whose property it will be placed.

Hundreds of police, Border Police, members of the civil defence and soldiers are being brought in from all over the country to protect the demonstrators and to keep public order. Those attending have been asked by the police to park their cars at the Hebrew University and Israel Museum parking lots.

Anyone who tries to interrupt the gathering, the police said, will be dealt with forcefully. Troublemakers will be arrested and brought to trial immediately, the police added.

Meanwhile, police continued to question witnesses in an effort to clarify details concerning last week's demonstration and march, in which the Peace Now supporter was subjected to continual heckling and attacks. The police are still exploring the possibility that the IDF grenade used in the fatal attack came from underworld sources.

No arrests have been made, no have any suspects been detained.

Netivot residents protest murder

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETIVOT. — About 100 people congregated at the junction outside this northern Negev town yesterday, at 6 a.m. to recite their morning prayers and to protest the murder of Shlomo Abukasis, 42, three days ago in Gaza.

Abukasis was shot once in the eye by an unknown gunman who walked into a shoe store where the Netivot father of four was visiting a local friend. The assailant escaped.

Yesterday evening, about 300 residents demonstrated quietly at the town centre. They were addressed by Shalom Raviv, chairman of the local council, who asked them to express their anger peacefully.

MEMORIAL. — An army base in Galilee has been named for four soldiers of the Golani Brigade, who were killed in the Tyre disaster. After the dedication ceremony, the bereaved parents were given a tour of the South-Lebanon.

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Reagan holding fast to the 'Zero Option'

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — President Ronald Reagan was set to explain at a press conference last night (3 a.m. Israel time) why he has stood firm on the U.S. negotiating position — known as the Zero Option — at European nuclear talks in Geneva with the Soviet Union, White House officials said.

They said other topics would include future prospects for Middle East peace diplomacy following the departure last week of the Israeli Defence Ministry. Reagan was also set to discuss a \$5 billion programme to tackle unemployment and help destitute and homeless Americans, they said.

The package is apparently acceptable to most congressional leaders. The officials said the president is expected to indicate his position to some Democrats who are expected to add at least \$1 billion to the programme.

Despite fresh evidence of

recovery from America's longest recession since World War II, Reagan is being pressed by his Democratic opponents in Congress to agree to a big job-creation programme.

The current major foreign policy issue is Reagan's decision to delay action on suggestions that he should modify his offer to cancel the deployment from December of 572 U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles in Western Europe if the Soviet Union were to dismantle all its comparable weapons, estimated to number over 600.

The president has been studying suggestions, which were made to Vice-President George Bush during his recent Western European tour, for an interim agreement reducing the number of existing and planned Soviet and U.S. missiles in Europe as a first step towards an accord eliminating all of them.

The White House said this week that Reagan is standing firm on the Zero Option, at least for the time being.

V. German court rules for March 6 elections

ARLSRUHE (Reuters). — West Germany's Federal Constitutional Court yesterday cleared the way for a general election on March 6 and endorsed Conservative Chancellor Helmut Kohl's grounds for forcing early poll.

The court, ruling by a margin of two, dismissed petitions from 19 deputies, which argued that a dissolution of parliament was unconstitutional because Kohl's coalition still had a majority after losing a contrived vote of confidence on December 17.

Presiding Judge Wolfgang Zeidler stiffened the verdict by pointing to deep splits in Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher's Free Democratic Party (FDP) caused by

its change of coalition partners last autumn.

He said Kohl had good reason to believe when he sought elections in December that his alliance with the FDP might not last until the next regular poll in 1984.

The chancellor was, therefore, justified in deliberately losing the vote of confidence, by asking his supporters to abstain, Judge Zeidler said.

President Karl Carstens' decision to dissolve parliament and call elections was also correct, the court ruled.

The widely expected verdict was greeted with relief by both government and opposition leaders, who have already begun campaigning hard for the March 6 poll.

Drought threatens 3 million in north Ethiopia provinces

ADDIS ABABA (Reuters). — Tens of thousands of people could die and more than three million others are threatened with food shortages in Ethiopia's worst drought for 10 years, a senior aid worker said yesterday.

Mark Bowden, regional adviser for the Save the Children Fund, said after a visit to Ethiopia that the drought is reminiscent of the situation in the early 1970s, when more than 200,000 people died.

The SCF is working closely with the Ethiopian Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, which aid yesterday that the drought afflicting several parts of the country is as severe as in 1974.

Bowden, who worked in Ethiopia in the 1970s, said that the most

seriously afflicted areas were the rugged regions of Wollo, Tigray and Gondar, north of Addis Ababa.

"It is fair to say that tens of thousands of lives are at risk, men, women and children, and famine is a real risk for 3.5 million people in these areas," he said in an interview.

Bowden said the danger signs were that tens of thousands of people are leaving the drought-stricken areas for relief centres, carrying practically nothing, and are living "beside the road without a roof over their heads."

The afflicted areas are up to 4,000 metres above sea level, "and are a breeding ground for pneumonia, bronchitis, and lice-bred typhus. Measles epidemics are a possibility," Bowden added.

Iraq says attack repulsed

BAGHDAD (Reuters). — Iraq said yesterday that its troops had repulsed a fresh Iranian attack along the border east of the Iraqi town of Amara.

A statement broadcast by Baghdad Radio did not say when the new attack took place. According to Iraqi accounts, Iran opened a new offensive on the Al-Shib front, where the latest action occurred, 10 days ago.

Neither side has reported heavy fighting since last Thursday, when the Iraqis said an Iranian force of tanks and infantry overran Iraqi lines but was trapped in a counter-attack, with 1,000 Iraqis and at least 20 tanks captured. Iran said it

destroyed an Iraqi brigade the same day.

Correspondents taken to the Iraqi front lines during the lull that followed found it difficult to establish the actual scale of the fighting or the numbers killed on either side. Iraq has said 15,000 Iraqis have been killed since the offensive began.

STABBING. — Convicted mass murderer John Wayne Gacy and a fellow prisoner were stabbed yesterday by another inmate at the Menard correctional centre in Chester, Illinois, officials said. All three are among 42 prisoners awaiting execution at Menard. None was seriously wounded.



The court jester float dominates the parade through the streets of New Orleans during Mardi Gras festivities in the southern U.S. city on Tuesday. (UPI telephoto)

NEWS IN BRIEF

Traveller raped, companion killed in Burma jungle

BANGKOK (Reuters). — Three armed tribesmen on the Thai-Burmese border robbed and raped a Belgian woman traveller and shot dead her Mexican companion when he tried to stop them, police said yesterday.

Police in the northern Chiang Rai province bordering Burma said Fabienne de Wolf, 23, from Aalst, Belgium, spent four days in the hands of her captors late last week.

The woman and the couple's 11-month-old child were finally rescued on Sunday by an unidentified ethnic minority group, who delivered them to Thai and Burmese police on the border. The child was unharmed.

Sunset strip slayer sentenced to die

LOS ANGELES (Reuters). — Douglas Clark, 34, the Sunset Strip slayer "who had called on a Los Angeles jury to recommend sentencing him to death," got his wish yesterday.

The jury of eight women and four men recommended that he die in the gas chamber for the murders of six young women.

Soviets demand prosecution of Klaus Barbie

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet deputy prosecutor-general Oleg Soroka on Tuesday demanded the prosecution of Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, saying Barbie's hands "are also stained with the blood of Soviet civilians."

In a television address summarized by the official news agency TASS, Soroka argued that Barbie bore responsibility for Soviet deaths in World War II.

Barbie, who was expelled from Bolivia to France earlier this month, faces charges of crimes against humanity for the deaths, deportation or torture of some 11,000 Resistance workers and Jews in Nazi-occupied France.

Bangladesh police clamp down on protests

DACCA (Reuters). — Students made an abortive attempt to stage an anti-government demonstration in Bangladesh's southern port city of Chittagong yesterday after similar protests sparked two days of violence in the national capital.

Witnesses said police stopped an attempt by students in Chittagong to march in support of colleagues in Dacca, which was put under a curfew on Monday after five were killed and 100 injured in fierce clashes between police and students protesting against military rule in the country.

Military arrests 44 leftists in Turkey

ANKARA (AP). — Military authorities in the eastern Turkish city of Erzurum announced on Tuesday that they have arrested 44 suspected leftist terrorists accused of political murders in past years.

The announcement by the martial law command said the suspects, members of the outlawed leftist gangs Dev Yol (revolutionary road) and Dev Sol (revolutionary left), were captured after they engaged in a shootout with security forces.

Guard among three indicted in \$11m. U.S. heist

NEW YORK (AP). — A federal grand jury on Tuesday indicted three men in an \$11 million robbery from a New York armoured car service. Those indicted included Christos Potamitis, the lone guard on duty on the night of the theft last Dec. 12. Potamitis was arrested by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents while he was vacationing in Puerto Rico on Feb. 2.

The others indicted were Eddie Agitakos and Demetrios Papadakis. A fourth suspect arrested in connection with the robbery was not indicted.

The three are being held on bail ranging as high as \$2m.

World terrorism on the increase experts say

NEW YORK (AP). — Terrorist attacks increased in 1982 over the previous year and probably will continue to increase this year, according to experts speaking at a panel discussion on international terrorism.

"Terrorism is here to stay," said Yona Alexander of the State University of New York's Institute for Studies in International Terrorism. He said that between 1970 and 1982, 15,868 "significant domestic and international terrorist incidents were recorded." Last year, he said, 2,333 attacks killed 5761 people and wounded 2,638 others. There were 250 terrorist incidents last month.

White House signals Reagan will run in 1984

LOS ANGELES (AP). — President Ronald Reagan is clearing his 1984 calendar for a re-election campaign. The Los Angeles Times reported yesterday.

Republican Party congressional candidates have been advised by the White House not to rely on Reagan's help in 1984, because the president will be busy with his own re-election effort, the paper said.

Actress sued for bullying Groucho Marx

LOS ANGELES (Reuters). — Comedian George Burns testified for the defence yesterday in a case concerning the late Groucho Marx, whose companion, actress Erin Fleming, is being sued for \$1.68 million by the Bank of America.

The bank alleges she obtained \$400,000 from Marx and syndication rights to his television shows by exerting undue influence over him. Witnesses have said that Marx was afraid of her.

Burns said yesterday that Marx, who died five years ago at the age of 86, never stopped singing at parties he gave with her. Burns said he attended at least six large gatherings at Marx's home during the final six years of the comedian's life and Marx always appeared to be happy.

Asked by Fleming's lawyer if he saw love and affection between Marx and Fleming, Burns replied: "Well, 150 people were there."

Iranian hijacks U.S. plane, surrenders

NUEVO LAREDO, Mexico (AP). — A man with a submachine gun yesterday hijacked a U.S. plane with 20 other people aboard. He freed them and surrendered to officials in this border town after five hours of negotiations.

The hijacker, identified as an Iranian who blamed the U.S. for poor economic conditions in his homeland, had demanded to be flown to Cuba.

The Rio Airways De Havilland was about 15 minutes out of Killean, Texas, on a flight to Dallas-Fort Worth, when the plane was hijacked. The hijacker gave the pilot three copies of a statement on economic conditions in Iran and said he wanted them distributed to the U.S. news media.

Officials did not release the gunman's statement, but the pilot quoted him as saying "26,000 Iranians have been killed for no cause" and he "wanted knowledge of what was going on over there to be known over here."

Sudan violence threatens new civil war

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP). — Rising lawlessness and a bitter debate over the future of southern Sudan's autonomous government are threatening the peace that has prevailed since the end of a north-south civil war 11 years ago.

Diplomats and other sources see the violence as a potential threat to Sudan's plans to export oil from the south by 1986 and a blow to the prestige pro-western President Ja'afar Numeiri won by negotiating an end to the 17-year civil conflict.

These observers believe Numeiri, who has survived numerous crises, could defuse the turmoil. For the moment, however, a series of central government decisions appear to be aggravating tensions between north and south and jealousy among southern tribes.

The long war between the predominantly Arab Moslem north and the Negroid Christian and

pagan south ended on February 28, 1972, with an agreement signed in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, that provided for southern autonomy.

Numeiri two years ago supported a controversial proposal to extend Sudan's system of regional governments to the south by dividing it into the three provinces that existed under British colonial rule: Upper Nile, Equatoria and Bahr al-Ghazal.

Last December, the president was confronted by demonstrators opposing division when he appeared in the southern city of Rumbek, an educational centre and former civil war hot spot. Numeiri responded by indefinitely shutting Rumbek's public schools.

Then on January 18, a rising tide of lawlessness in the south climaxed with the slaughter of 14 merchants — 11 of them northerners — by a band of armed men at the railway

station in Ariat just north of Aweil in Bahr al-Ghazal.

The government blamed the massacre on "bandits," but the choice of the victims indicated political intent.

Southern politicians from the predominant Dinka tribe and government officials, who asked to remain anonymous, said the killers numbered from 100 to 200 heavily armed men. One source said they were part of a band of 1,000 militiamen with radio communications.

Until Ariat, most diplomatic observers dismissed attacks on police stations, robberies and the murder last December of a small group of northern traders at the Sudan-Zaire border town of Yei as a predictable, and controllable, result of the national economic depression.

Cheysson in Moscow to see Gromyko

MOSCOW (Reuters). — French External Affairs Minister Claude Cheysson arrived here yesterday for talks which Moscow hopes will lead to improved relations with France's Socialist-led government.

Cheysson, who will have three rounds of talks with Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, will be resuming a political dialogue between Paris and Moscow which has been subject to strain over the past two years.

Political contacts between France and the Soviet Union were abruptly downgraded when French President Francois Mitterrand was elected in May 1981.

Cheysson has made clear that despite his five-day trip there will be no resumption of the "harmonious, intimate" relations forged by Mitterrand's predecessors.

In the French view, Soviet policies in Afghanistan and Poland and Moscow's nuclear arms buildup in Europe rule out full normalization of relations.

Opposition leader offers Australians massive tax cut

SYDNEY (Reuters). — Australian Labour Party leader Bob Hawke yesterday promised Australians big tax cuts if they vote him into power in the March 5 general election.

Hawke unveiled the cuts as part of Labour's high-spending "national recovery and reconstruction plan," which he said would insure a better deal for all.

He attacked the Liberal-National Party government of Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser for "seven years of broken promises," which he said resulted in nearly 700,000 unemployed and 11 per cent inflation.

Hawke, a tough former head of Australia's Trade Union Council, said Labour's first task in office would be to convene an economic summit conference between unions, industry and government. It would draw up a formula for linking price rises with pay increases, which Hawke said would "attack the twin evils of unemployment and inflation together."

With three weeks to the election, a poll registered Labour support at 52 per cent against 41 per cent for the Liberals.

Haig says Mideast problem 'insolvable'

STOCKHOLM (AP). — Former U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig said he endorses most of President Ronald Reagan's peace efforts in the Middle East, but believes the problem is "insolvable."

"International problems are insolvable. What they require is energy and ingenuity to prevent confrontation," Haig told a news conference.

Haig was speaking in Sweden, where he is the guest of the daily conservative newspaper Svenska Dagbladet's Executive Club.

"The Middle East is not just a question of Arab-Israeli differences. It is a question of superpower competition and a question of the longstanding injustices that have existed in Lebanon," Haig said.

Cheering crowd welcomes Queen to Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica (UPI). — Britain's Queen Elizabeth II was enthusiastically welcomed to this Caribbean island on Tuesday by 10,000 people who filled the town square in the north coast resort town of Montego Bay.

Afterward, she travelled to Kingston where she dedicated the interim headquarters of the International Seabed Authority, a new body set up by the law of the sea treaty which Jamaica has backed and Britain not yet signed.

The queen is touring the Caribbean with her husband, Prince Philip.

SOCCER. — English League Cup: Second Division Burnley amazed Liverpool 1-0, but Liverpool go through to finals on a 3-1 aggregate. Manchester United crushed Arsenal 4-2 in their first leg semi-final contest.

Indian voting resumes amid ethnic violence

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — The Indian state of Assam votes today in the second round of local assembly elections, amid ethnic violence in which entire villages have been burnt by armed gangs.

Tension rose on the first day's voting on Monday, following reports of a tribal massacre in the central Darrang district. There were fresh reports of trouble yesterday in Darrang and two other districts.

Reports said up to 150 people were killed when tribesmen rampaged through at least 15 villages in the Gohpur area of Darrang at the weekend, adding to a death toll of more than 125 in the past two weeks of unrest.

The bloodshed was sparked by an

anti-immigrant campaign by hardline Assamese Hindus, who say Bengali-speaking Moslems have taken over land and jobs and been included on electoral rolls.

Reporters could not get to the scene of the alleged massacre because roads had been cut. Police reached it by helicopter.

The election commission has announced that polling will be re-held in parts of 16 constituencies where polling booths were ransacked and ballot papers destroyed.

In addition to today's Assam assembly elections, polling is also scheduled in the neighbouring state of Meghalaya. So far, there have been no reports of serious trouble there.

Sports

SOCCER PREVIEW

Double derbies in Tel Aviv

By PAUL KOHN
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Weather permitting, Tel Aviv football fans will be out in full force at the Bloomfield Stadium this Saturday for two derby games. In the first, "the derby of the suburbs," Shimshon, of the Yeminite quarter, currently in third place in the National League, entertain Bnei Yehuda, of the Hatikva quarter.

This game will be followed by Tel Aviv's "big derby" between Maccabi and Tel Aviv.

Already last Saturday, Maccabi and Hapoel Tel Aviv set the stage for this week's clash, both sides scoring convincing wins.

David Amiga, transferred a couple of months ago to Maccabi Tel Aviv from Jaffa, has found his shooting boots, and has scored in every one of his last three games.

This scoring touch has certainly inspired Maccabi to play a more open game. Motti Iwanir and Gabi Lasri have found form in midfield, and for Lasri this will be his first derby against his old club.

Hapoel also have their "stars" Moshe Sinai, Gil Landau, one of the successes of Israel's new Olympic team, and Dov Remler, who was outstanding against Hapoel Yehud

last week. This promises to be as keen a derby as any we have enjoyed in past years, with the teams evenly matched.

Shimshon returned to form last Saturday with a well earned 2-1 away win over Maccabi Jaffa, after their Cup debacle against Hapoel Kiryat Shmona. The Hatikva Quarter side have hit a bad patch, underlined by their being "ousted" from the Cup by Second Division Hapoel Ashkelon. So Bnei Yehuda will probably be struggling to salvage a draw from this encounter.

In Jerusalem, meanwhile, Beter return home for a crucial bottom of the table match against Hapoel Kfar Sava. Both clubs are below the relegation red line, Kfar Sava having one more point than Beter, though both teams have credit by the same goal average, 20 goals for and 25 goals against.

Sportoto Guide:

Yankee vs Brooklyn	Single	Parlay
Bet. J'm vs Kfar Sava	1	1X
Hap. RG vs Jaffa	1	1
Shimshon vs B. Yehuda	1	1
Macc. TA vs Hap. TA	1	1X
Yehud vs Netanya	2	2
Macc. P't vs Hap. J'm	1	1
Hap. Haifa vs Hap. Haifa	1	1
Sh'ma vs Hap. Haifa	1	1X
B. Shimon vs Hap. PT	1	1
Hadera vs R. Amudim	1	1X
Bet. Ramle vs Ashkelon	1	1

Tel Aviv Maccabi thaws for Madrid

By DON GOULD
Post Basketball Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Maccabi Tel Aviv travelled yesterday to Madrid for their European Cup match against Real Madrid, and were accorded a chilly reception — the temperature was — 10 degrees Centigrade. But the squad from Tel Aviv hope to warm things up with a victory over the Spanish champions, whom they beat by six points in their first leg match at Yad Eliyahu.

Coach Ralph Klein has been quoted as saying that a loss, particularly if it is under the 6 point margin, will not be earth-shattering. But the Israeli heroes are running out of time, and a defeat would severely hamper their chances of

making it to the finals next month in Grenoble.

On the other side of the coin, Real Madrid, generally invincible at home, have already suffered two European Cup home court losses. Last week, in a local league game, they lost 80-82 to a very mediocre Barcelona side.

Tonight the Tel Avivians have Aulic Perri in the squad: he was prevented by illness from playing in the Tel Aviv match against Real Madrid. Howard Lassooff, who replaced him so ably, is suffering from an ankle injury and may not play at all tonight.

The game will be televised live, and will be broadcast on the B programme, beginning at 8 p.m.

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"THE WORST period in my life." That is how Kaare Kristiansen, chairman of the Norwegian Christian Democratic Party and head of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Storting, the Norwegian Parliament, described his experience of defending Israel during the war in Lebanon.

He was speaking to the Israel-Norway Friendship Association at a reception in his honour at the Ramat Aviv hotel. The association's chairman, who is Elihu Izakson, lauded him as "a beacon of light in a period of darkness."

Kristiansen, who founded the Israel-Norway Friendship group in the Storting in 1974, related how he had received poison pen letters during the summer of 1982 after defending Israel's cause, and how the pro-PLO Left Socialist Party's four-member faction unsuccessfully tried to have him ousted from his position as chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee for having pleaded for a fair hearing of Israel's case.

He insisted, however, that the "silent majority" of Norwegians remain staunchly pro-Israel, despite months of subjection to floods of anti-Israel atrocity material from Lebanon in the media, especially on state-controlled TV, which takes a consistently hostile attitude towards this country. Indeed, during the war, when a Christian group put together a film showing biased reports on Norwegian TV alongside more balanced footage on the same stories from foreign networks, the directors and editors of the state monopoly declined to attend its

Stormy season for Israel's champion

By MARK SEGAL / Post Political Correspondent

screening.

Kristiansen was optimistic about the future of relations between the two peoples.

"We don't always agree with Israeli policies, but that should not stop us loving this country. It's like a marriage, one does not rush to divorce after every disagreement."

DISCUSSING the positions on Israel of the parties in the Storting he said that many deputies of the largest faction, Labour, were less supportive of this country now that it no longer had a social democratic government. The Conservatives, who form the present minority government, had cooled off towards Israel for unclear reasons. His own party, which had 15 of the Storting's 150 seats, remained unwavering friends of the Jewish state both for religious reasons and out of sympathy with the Jewish people.

The most hostile attitudes could be found at the two extremes, the ultra-right Progressive Party and the left-wing Socialists — each with four deputies — which were

"moderate" compared to their even more extremist Marxist fringes outside parliament. He also enumerated pro-PLO inroads among most political youth groups, particularly that of the social democrats, as well as among the previously solidly pro-Israel trade union federation. He agreed that anti-Israel attitudes came from those political forces most hostile to the U.S. and NATO.

Seeking to ascertain the causes of this hostility towards Israel, Kristiansen focused first on the slanted reporting in the media, especially television.

"I was in New York for the UN Assembly during the first weeks of the war, and could compare the much more objective reporting on the American networks to that of our state monopoly." The Norwegian media totally ignored the background to the conflict, the attacks on northern Israel, the years of civil war in Lebanon and the fact that "the PLO Covenant is in itself a declaration of war on Israel."

Then there was a highly

sophisticated and very intelligent propaganda operation by the PLO throughout all the Scandinavian countries, with frequent delegations visiting Norway to present their case. A result was that more Norwegian youth than from other European countries volunteered for social and health work under PLO auspices in the Palestinian refugee camps, returning home as active propagandists for the PLO cause.

Meanwhile, there had been a decline in Norwegian youth volunteering for work in kibbutzim.

It was the burgeoning pro-PLO group that had sponsored the tribunal on "Israel's war crimes" in Oslo, last autumn. However, its impact was suitably countered by the highly effective team that came from Israel to present this country's case. (They were, the judge advocate-general Tat-Aluf Dov Shefi, Prof. Zvi Elpeleg of the Shiloah Institute and The Post's David Landau.)

KRISTIANSEN dwelt at length on the clever way Arab propaganda

had succeeded in converting many of the idealistic youth to their cause by promoting the Palestinian underdog image. "For my generation, the Holocaust remains fresh in our memories. We continue to see the Jewish state beleaguered by reactionary Arab states. However, leaving youth in particular see the Arabs, and especially the Palestinians, as victims of so-called 'imperialist and autocratic Israel.' Regrettably, even youngsters affiliated with the Conservative Party have proven receptive to this line. The radical youth from our Scandinavian welfare societies find demonstrations of their Marxist theory in the PLO talk of the 'Palestinian revolution.' As blue-eyed romantics, they identify with the Palestinian refugees. They misinterpret the situation."

Looking ahead, Israel's champion in Norway said that "we have to find arguments to counter their claims on moral and ethical grounds. We have to convince them of the justice of Israel's cause."

He had advised Premier Begin, during their meeting at Begin's office in Jerusalem, that "Israel should adopt a less aggressive attitude towards other countries, and should not reject various political proposals out of hand, but let the Arabs turn them down first. Israel would thus help its public relations in Western countries." In private conversation, Kristiansen said that Begin had appeared "most receptive" to his suggestions, dwelling on the importance of winning Western public opinion to Israel's side.



Dror Rom... creating problems.

(Isaiah Karlsinsky)

Wheels of fortune

By DANIEL GAVRON / Jerusalem Post Reporter

ALMOST INEVITABLY, the new game R-MAG is going to be billed as "Israel's Answer to the Rubik Cube." But the game's inventor, Dror Rom, explains that the principle is somewhat different.

Rom has, in fact, written a best-selling guide to the famous cube in Hebrew and a further booklet on games and puzzles that can be carried out with it. But R-MAG is a two-dimensional puzzle, as opposed to the three dimensions of the Rubik Cube.

In its present form, marketed by a company of the same name, R-MAG is slightly easier to solve than the Cube, which has a range of possibilities running to 18 zeros. The new game has options running to only 13 zeros — that is, 10,000,000,000,000 chances of going wrong. But it can very simply be altered in a number of ways to make it far more complex than the Rubik Cube.

The game is based on two interlocking plastic wheels in a transparent plastic sheath. Each wheel is made up of three colours, but at the outset, one of the colours (white) is common to both wheels. Once you have mixed the colours up, by rotating one or other of the wheels, it is well-nigh impossible to get them back in order again.

My 14-year-old son, who can reassemble the Rubik Cube in under two minutes, has not yet solved R-MAG. Inventor Rom says that children will most likely solve it by trial and error, but there is a mathematical solution. What is reminiscent of the Cube is the way

you bring one colour together, only to see the others more scattered. Rom's wheels are an entirely "Blue-White" production, marketed in Israel at IS200 a game. But the young company has its eyes on the export market, particularly the North American market.

Dror Rom, 28, at present earns his living as an insurance broker. He studied statistics and economics at the Hebrew University, and has been interested in games and puzzles since his school days.

The various plastic components of the game are manufactured and assembled in Jerusalem at the Talbach Mental Home, the Rehabilitation Centre in Talpiot and the Old Age Home in the capital's Bukharin neighbourhood. The old people and the patients enjoy the work, partly because of the bright colours of the parts.

Despite the main thrust — to the American market — R-MAG is to make its foreign debut at the Nuremberg Trade Fair next month. Future projects include a plan for specially marked sets of the game for the blind.

Rom invented the game without knowing the solution. When he invited some friends to join him in the venture, they noted that it could not be put on the market without a solution. It took the young inventor a whole weekend to work one out!

Rom is not marketing a guide with R-MAG, but he does offer this tip to would-be problem-solvers: Concentrate on the large pieces first — get them in order without considering the smaller parts. Then work on the smaller pieces.

LASZLO SZAMOSI, a sprightly 69, has had a lot of attention this past year from the international media. But the attention from writers, publishers and film-makers has nothing to do with his activities as a real estate operator.

Szamosi came to the attention of the media when John Bierman published his book, *Righteous Gentile: The Story of Raoul Wallenberg. Missing Hero of the Holocaust*, last year in New York. The book was dedicated to Szamosi with the notation that the author "hopes to have suitably commemorated Szamosi's courage and resourcefulness."

Bierman had discovered the almost unknown story of Raoul Wallenberg while working as a television news correspondent for the B.B.C. in Israel in the late Seventies. Unknown, that is, except in Sweden, Israel and Hungary.

More than 30 years after the horror of the Hungarian Holocaust, Bierman learned of the tragic fate of Raoul Wallenberg who, in late 1944, daily risked his life in Budapest, to save tens of thousands of Jews from the clutches of Adolf Eichmann, chief architect of Hitler's Final Solution. As a reward for his heroic achievements the advancing Russians arrested Wallenberg as a spy on January 17, 1945, and he disappeared into the Gulag Archipelago.

UNSUNG HERO

By STEVEN SZEKELY / Special to The Jerusalem Post

The central idea of this biography, supported by a mass of circumstantial evidence, is that Wallenberg is still alive somewhere in Siberia.

In his rescue operations Wallenberg was aided by many young men and women from the Zionist underground. Wherever possible, he coordinated his efforts with people serving in neutral embassies and with the International Red Cross.

"Yet," Bierman asserts, "perhaps his most fruitful collaboration was with the infinitely resourceful and audacious Laszlo Szamosi, a Jew who accomplished the remarkable feat of becoming the *de facto* ambassador of Franco Spain in the chaotic final days of the siege of Budapest."

While the 180,000 Jews of Budapest were concentrated in the ghetto and their systematic liquidation had already begun — Szamosi, thanks to his Christian identity papers, his "Aryan" appearance and his iron nerves, moved about the city freely. He was instrumental in obtaining food for starving

children and in the issue and distribution of Spanish papers, providing security for thousands of Budapest Jews. Swedish safe-conducts, on an even larger scale, were issued by Wallenberg.

Szamosi even managed to become a member of the International Red Cross and with an incredible stroke of luck and wit, together with Otto Komoly, President of the Zionist Federation he took possession of the abandoned Spanish Embassy.

But his main activities were focused on rescuing abandoned or orphaned Jewish children whose parents had been rounded up for deportation.

Szamosi recalls that "A number of children's homes were set up under the auspices of the Red Cross but the overall responsibility for the welfare of these abandoned children was left to the volunteers of the rescue work. We were doing our utmost under the leadership of President Komoly who was abducted by Arrow-Cross agents on December 31, 1944, and has not

been seen since.

"The only criticism I might have of John Bierman's book is that it doesn't devote adequate attention to the personality of Otto Komoly whose superhuman efforts deserved much more tribute than my own deeds did," says Szamosi.

Szamosi's audacious achievements in the darkest days of Hungarian Jewry are documented in the archives of Yad Vashem, the Martyrs and Heroes Remembrance Authority in Jerusalem. Yet, his role would have hardly deserved a footnote in the history of the Holocaust were it not for the sudden burst of world wide interest in the Wallenberg drama and in the credit Bierman's book gives to Szamosi.

Since Szamosi's connection with Wallenberg was brought out in this best-seller, hardly a day passes without some Western journalist, writer or producer calling long distance, trying to get some hitherto unpublished details about Wallenberg.

He was visited by Paul More of Radio West Berlin who has done two long broadcasts on the subject, and Mrs. Vég of the West German TV has made a documentary, shown for the first time on August 4, 1982, the 40th anniversary of Wallenberg's birthday.

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, Mendi Rodan conducting, with Haim Taub, violin. (Mammi Auditorium, Tel Aviv, February 12) J.S. Bach: Suite No.4; Berg: Concerto for Violin and Orchestra; Schumann: Symphony No.1 ("Spring"), Op.38.

ALBEN BERG's violin concerto, clearly among the most important works of its genre, was not performed during the Huberman festivities, and this being a year of the violin at the IPO, the prompt filling of this gap was welcome indeed.

Unlike the model classical and Romantic concertos, the Berg piece, composed almost half a century ago, does not feature the orchestra in a purely supportive role or make it oppose the soloist. Rather, the violin and the sumptuous orchestral body are engaged in parallel efforts, creating a musical fabric of exceptional beauty and poignancy. Haim Taub, Mendi Rodan and the IPO stood up to the challenge of this complex work and did it justice.

Taub penetrated the expressive core of the music from the very first sounds of his violin. The precision and clarity — indeed, transparency

Exceptional beauty

MUSIC
Eli Karev

— of the orchestra part contributed a critical share to this remarkable rendition, and Mendi Rodan should feel proud. The few balance mishaps in the Berg, as well as in the Schumann symphony, could well be due to imperfect orchestration.

Rodan led the symphony with dedication and drive, exacting energetic orchestral response. His reading, however, to at least one listener's ears, sounded overly indignant, oblivious of the Romantic unpredictability and in need of occasional repose. Similarly, the Bach suite stood only to gain from greater attention the elements of elegant gracefulness, contrasting and complementing the prevailing mood of festivity.

MUSIC SPECTRUM. Artistic director and soloist: Boris Berman, piano. Presented by the Israel Chamber Orchestra. Guest soloist: Mira Zakai, alto; Israel Edelson conducting. (Tel Aviv Museum, February 10) "Classical and Neo-classical." Beethoven: Quintet, opus 16; Hindemith: Kammermusik No.2 for piano and orchestra, Opus 36, No.1; Beethoven: An die ferne Geliebte, Opus 98; Prokofiev: Concerto No.4 for piano (left hand) and orchestra, Opus 53.

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The latest programme was a case in point: the *Kammermusik* by Hindemith, written in 1924, and the Prokofiev concerto (1931) had their first performances in Israel. Both are works of substance, in which relentless drive is juxtaposed with large slow movements. The intense and emotional lyricism of the Hindemith brings out the reflective, meditative side of lyric feeling.

In picking these works and playing them brilliantly, Boris Berman rendered our musical life a valuable service, indeed. His worthy collaborator was Israel Edelson, who presided over the proceedings with classy professionalism and elicited a spirited response from the Israel Chamber Orchestra.

The "classical" part of the programme was more problematic. Mira Zakai offered a noble and moving reading of the song cycle by Beethoven, with her balanced artistry and inimitable alto.

The opening quintet was played competently, if rather superficially, by Berman, Udi Dan Etrogi (French horn), Eli Hefetz (clarinet), and Richard Paley (bassoon). Ironically, this time it was the pianist's left hand which did not provide an adequate balance to the ensemble sonority, and his penchant for excessive sentimentalizing in the slow movement did not help things.

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By SYLVIA RAPHAEL-SCHJODT / Special to The Jerusalem Post

EVERY TWO years, lawyers from around the world meet to compare notes and exchange ideas about their wonderful profession, which provides that one and all, even the pariah, be defended without prejudice. This year, the congress of the International Bar Association was held in New Delhi.

An early morning haze hung over the runways at Delhi airport, and though the hustle and noise was that of any airport anywhere, there were soon plenty of sights to amaze the attentive eye. Broad, beautiful highways and the surprising lack of expected multitudes. Space and cleanliness. "New Delhi" means exactly that, a city completed in 1929 to honour the British Raj, the last of the eight cities of Delhi erected and eradicated by the various conquerors of Hindustan.

New Delhi is quite beautiful from the bus window vantage point of the obligatory five-stop "Delhi-by-Day" tour. Tree-lined streets; graceful, spacious villas; and impressive statues of Gandhi. "Old" Delhi and its great bazaar are a tapestry in motion, a sea of brown flesh in bright cotton, ebbing and flowing. Some are lying on rough blankets, lucky to find a place to sleep in a doorway. Thin babies are lovingly clutched in the arms of thin child-mothers. Thin pathetic cows plunder vegetable carts; thin mongrels scratch for sustenance in the gutters. And thin men, haunch-squatting, show eyes blank with the nothingness of tomorrow.

At the Ashok Hotel, an enormous pink erection far removed from the sorrow of reality, the International Bar Association opens its congress. Almost 2,000 lawyers, of greater or lesser standing, listen straight-faced to speakers extolling the nobility and selflessness of their profession. Indira Gandhi welcomes the guests and spends 10 minutes castigating Israel and South Africa.

Although the IBA stipulates that no country be excluded or discriminated against, the Indian Government has reneged on its original guarantee, and delegations from Israel and South Africa were curtailed almost to non-existence. Those two pared-down delegations

now receive the prime minister's wrathful outburst with no opportunity for rebuttal. Everyone applauds.

THE HOTEL grounds are a setting for Scheherazade. Gardens of a thousand-and-one delights. Inside, up red-carpeted steps, lovely girls with flower leis paint red caste-marks on foreheads. An elephant trumpets; his mahout deigns to accept rupees gingerly pressed to the trunk by cooing European ladies. Waiters descend with drinks — bad Indian wine and good Scotch. On a raised platform, dancers, tumblers and a magician. Endless tables laden with curries and succulents and (to-be-avoided) salads.

But we are angry and tell anyone who will listen that it just isn't done to host an international conference and have the prime minister hurl insults at invited delegates. The people who listen are perplexed or embarrassed. Their eyes slide sideways.

We are transformed again into travellers tasting India. A half-hour flight takes us to another world, the Mughal Sheraton in Agra, a hotel of ceiling-to-floor chandeliers, splashing fountains, water lilies and gold-horned oxen churning a Persian wheel in an English rose garden. A Victorian carriage and pair stands at the gate, and an elephant roams the car-park.

In the distance, the Taj Mahal, the tomb of a woman so beautiful, so beloved, that when she dies giving birth to her 14th child, her husband, the Shah Jahan, promises to erect this Temple of Love in her memory. The eighth wonder of the world shimmers against a white sky. There is no anti-climax or coldness in its marble beauty.

The desk clerk reserves a carriage for us for a twilight trip to the Taj, and the doorman pages an elephant. We negotiate with two teenage mahouts. Once around the carpark for a dollar. Pause. To the bazaar and back for a dollar and a half.

Done. Surely the bazaar can not be more than a block away.

In the little red-draped howdah, we plod down the driveway. My husband looks apprehensive, but the green soon fades and his knuckles unclutch. Down the road we go, with a boy up front, a boy down back and underneath an elephant 18 years old. Passers-by cheer, applaud and shout, and trucks veer off the road. Our front driver tells us that elephant, she is god.

Twenty minutes later, still mounted and moving, and my husband's eyes ask, "Shouldn't we turn back already?" Instead we turn right, and there is the bazaar. Tight teeming streets, a mess of humanity, cows and horses and us, dumbly being thrust into the market place.

A screaming, hysterical crowd surrounds us. Old ladies throw coins. Men lay sugar cane at the elephant's feet. Our drivers imperiously command that a pathway be cleared — do we not come riding on a god?

The noise reaches a monstrous level. The two of us have avoided decapitation by overhead cables and hung on when the throne started sliding. We smile and wave and are petrified by a voice thundering through a loudspeaker. The words are incomprehensible, but the meaning patently clear. This is the police — get that disturbance out of there, on the double, divinity or not.

Panic-stricken cows break tether and dash round, creating mayhem. Horses rear and whinny and have to be led away blindfolded. It becomes clear that to reverse a nervous elephant is impossible. I close my eyes, and open them to see my husband, still valiantly waving and looking noble. I request, through clenched teeth, that he quit that and try only to look dignified and insignificant. Somehow we get out and away.

One-and-a-half hours after setting out to conquer the bazaar, we

return. Not unnoticed. Hotel employees rush out to inquire about our health. It seems that the elephant should never have been let out of the hotel gates. My husband will never forgive me; I ran out of film.

VARANASI used to be called Benares. We are excited. Perhaps like Kim, we may find the Holy Man. We find India. There, too, are neat, clean, shiny-white Scandinavians, carrying ideas on how to run the world. They are engulfed by the degradation and despair that is the hopelessness of here. People flow about us, some walk with purpose, others move blankly, without aim. Beggars stretch out thin, gnarled fingers; the lepers have fingerless hands. Holy men hold out basins for gifts of food. A young well-dressed boy with lame legs drags himself along with us. The guide notes that the most misshapen always get the most tourist handouts.

The movement becomes more directed. The people are on their way to the Ganges, the Holy River, to cleanse themselves of sin. The sin of total and unending poverty? But many are not poor. There are the fat and the sleek, and women draped in silk, saris of great elegance. They do not leave the impression that the others do.

Into the boats we go and into the cool morning air. Old men with big bellies in loin cloths duck down into the brown water. A beautiful young girl with glossy hair bathes herself. She is fully clothed but the wet silk is more revealing than total nakedness. A man in blue boxer shorts soaps himself enthusiastically, another brushes his teeth. From the plastic red of the brush, our eyes go to the body of a holy man, a corpse bobbing in the ripples, awaiting disintegration and Nirvana.

Along the steep river bank, a wizened bitch walks with her pups. One slips and falls. In confusion and fear, it tries to make its way back up the rampart, but slides back, crying pitifully. Mother and brothers exist in total disinterest of its distress. We row on. Soon we leave for Calcutta and then home, via London.

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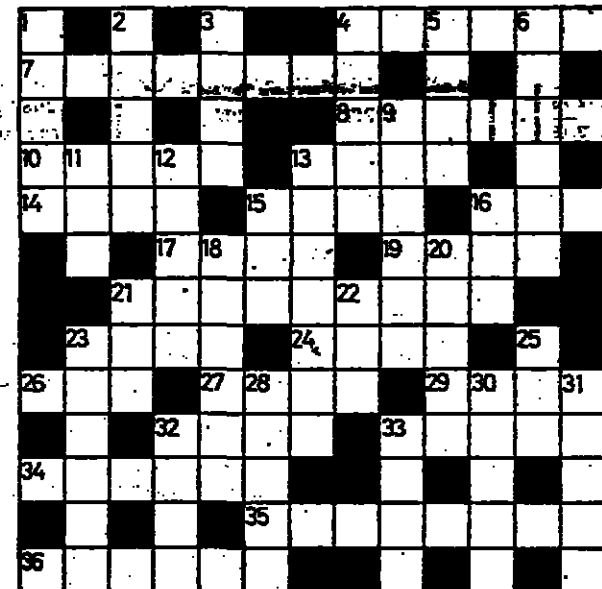
TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 4 Leave the half dead bit! (6)
- 7 It made a rare show on the field of battle (8)
- 8 Hebridean "cave-man" (6)
- 10 Associates of shoes and sealing-wax, etc. (5)
- 13 I leave the beach with James (4)
- 14 Also makes a helmet (4)
- 15 Russian duck with one leg (4)
- 16 What the motorist can expect tomorrow? (3)
- 17 You need a pony to play it (4)
- 19 Town with less than ninety-two banks (4)
- 21 Ice? (4, 5)
- 23 Powder used in a vital cause (4)
- 24 Is in the river (4)
- 26 He'll never be quite the same (3)
- 27 The time Ben got out for a duck (4)
- 29 Fellow with skin trouble (4)
- 32 A suggestion how to get thin (4)
- 33 Run after Lorraine (5)
- 34 They cut off the radiation and made us cold (6)
- 35 No longer flat areas, one makes it clear (8)
- 36 Clever enough to get a letter correct (6)

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.



EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 4 Pliable (6)
- 7 Number (8)
- 8 Chaperon (6)
- 10 Senior (5)
- 13 Root vegetable (6)
- 14 Home (4)
- 15 Merit (4)
- 16 Gamble (3)
- 17 Entertainer (4)
- 19 Old Russian automaton (4)
- 21 Build (9)
- 23 Expense (4)
- 24 Run (4)
- 26 Uncooked (3)
- 27 Frozen (4)
- 29 Tidy (4)
- 32 Large, flightless bird (4)
- 33 Gaze fixedly (5)
- 34 Bloom (6)
- 35 Dogs (8)
- 36 Veer suddenly (6)

DOWN

- 1 Frequently (5)
- 2 Money supplies (3)
- 3 Celebrity (4)
- 4 Show contempt (3)
- 5 Treaty (4)
- 6 Pantry (6)
- 9 Satisfied (4, 2)
- 11 Allow (3)
- 12 Cultural character (5)
- 13 Fights (7)
- 15 Letter (3)
- 16 Face the bowing (3)
- 18 Punctual (2, 4)
- 20 Perfume (5)
- 21 Dairy animal (3)
- 22 Stick (3)
- 23 Inexperienced (6)
- 25 State of equality (3)
- 28 Oath (5)
- 30 Roof edge (5)
- 31 Unrelaxed (5)
- 32 Large jug (4)
- 33 Go under (4)

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ACROSS. — 1. Purist. 7. Wagering. 8. Yo-GL. 10. The-ban. 11. Albert. 14. Leg. 16. Terse. 17. Roll. 19. Lath-E. 21. Delay. 22. Bo-ot-y. 23. Fats. 26. Damona. 28. Oil(rev). 29. Amazed. 30. Banned. 31. Oran. 32. Canopied. 33. Rising.

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ACROSS. — 1. Remote. 7. Asterisk. 8. Sips. 10. Mahout. 11. Reveal. 14. Out. 16. Rowel. 17. Does. 19. Screw. 21. Rated. 22. Bowed. 23. Hope. 26. Adhes. 28. Far. 29. States. 30. Buiges. 31. Envy. 32. Election. 33. Tussle.

DOWN

1. Roamed. 2. Odious. 3. East. 4. Reversed. 5. Sinec. 6. Skill. 8. Shoe. 9. Put. 12. Vow. 13. Ascop. 15. Actor. 18. Orbit. 19. Saw. 20. Red. 21. Rosette. 22. Bkt. 23. Halves. 24. Orgy. 25. Ensure. 26. Ashes. 27. Dares. 28. Fun. 30. Bent.

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No cheer for Aridor

THE 8.5 PER CENT rise in the consumer price index for the past month is the highest recorded for any month of January since 1950, when the Central Bureau of Statistics started compiling its price indices. If this is any sign of a trend, Finance Minister Yoram Aridor's cheerful forecast of a significant drop in this year's rate of inflation may already be termed, at best, wishful thinking.

Mr. Aridor, as usual, is unbowed and unrepentant. If reality has dealt somewhat unkindly with the Treasury's own prediction, quietly leaked to the press, of a January price rise in the 7-8 per cent range, then, in his view, it is the fault of reality.

This has been the Treasury's standard response. There is always some exogenous factor to blame for an unanticipated rise in the index — whether a sudden leap in the price of oil or bad weather. But in January, oil prices continued their downward drift. However, the unusual cold lifted the prices of fruits and vegetables by a hefty 27.4 per cent. The weather, then, is mainly to blame.

And the country may relax: excluding fruits and vegetables, the index rose by only 7.2 per cent, which is fairly low for January.

Some such excuse for the Treasury's failure to beat down inflation may be devised every month, but in the final analysis it does not matter. What matters is the actual outcome, which in the present case is nothing to crow about. True, it is still possible that the index for February will turn out to be lower than January's. But it will also have to be lower than that of February of 1982 (5.7 per cent) and February 1981 (5.5 per cent) to suggest any genuine trend.

The finance minister's proclaimed target figure, it should be remembered, is no more than 5 per cent per month.

According to one, admittedly cynical, interpretation the Treasury was not really embarrassed by January's high figure, and may in fact have intended it. This is because January was chosen, in the new wage agreement, as the benchmark for calculating the next cost-of-living allowance. Thus the higher the January index, the lower would be the difference between it and the March index, and thus the lower the next cost-of-living allowance.

The difficulty with this attempted explanation of the Treasury's *modus operandi* is that, under the new wage agreement, representatives of the Histadrut and the employers are due to meet at the end of March to discuss the fairness of the new formula. If they concluded that the cost-of-living allowance has been unduly eroded, they might decide on added compensation for employees. Thus the impact of the agreement on the level of wages, and therefore on inflation, would be rather less than the Treasury expected.

The latest word from the Treasury is that it will stay the course. But the "new economic policy," which boils down to manipulation of overall wages and specific prices, is revealing itself as ineffective in the war on inflation. It deals with short-run symptoms rather than with inflation's underlying causes. Needed is a policy mix that includes the reduction of public expenditures, a balanced monetary policy and a reasonable incomes and tax policy.

A number of western countries have tried that with success. So far there is no indication that it will be adopted in Israel.

A hollow accusation by the Arab world

By JAMIL HAMAD

THE KAHAN Commission has, after five months of painstaking investigation, presented its findings to the world. The Arab regimes — which exercised themselves so heatedly over the massacres at Sabra and Shatilla in September — themselves said nothing, did nothing, offered nothing to make any impact or give any clarification to that investigation or any other inquiry.

Foreign doctors, nurses, journalists, and others came forward as witnesses to the massacres and the events leading up to them. These witnesses came forward out of compassion for the Palestinians and horror at the massacre.

How did the Lebanese themselves help? They refused the Kahan Commission permission even to visit the site. Did the Arab regimes seek to pressure the Lebanese into explaining the events themselves?

No, the Arab world announced that the Israeli Commission represented a Zionist conspiracy to cover up the Israeli role in the massacre. The real murderers, the bloodthirsty people who committed these crimes, have been overlooked. The Arab world is too impotent to address its condemnation to the Lebanese Phalangists who — according to every version of the events — engineered and carried out the killings.

Once again, that old, worn-out "conspiracy mentality" is distorting the Arab interpretation of the facts. The Arabs would rather, it seems, lay all responsibility for these hor-

rors on their favourite demons rather than face the real shaitan.

WHY HAVE the Arab powers refused to lay the blame for the massacre at the door of the real killers? Lebanese Phalangist fighters cold-bloodedly slaughtered Palestinians in their hundreds. Phalangist leaders appeared on television throughout the world shamelessly admitting responsibility for the massacres. Why haven't the Arabs even mentioned this terrible fact while condemning the "Zionist monsters?"

The Kahan Commission found that senior officers in the army, in intelligence and in the government were responsible for appalling negligence and for tragically underestimating the Phalangist intentions. There is no doubt about the culpability of the Israelis who were in control of Beirut and who were, consequently, responsible for the safety of the Palestinian civilians living in Sabra and Shatilla camps. It is not for me to agree that this or that kind of disciplinary action is severe enough or not; it is satisfactory to me — since nothing can undo the tragedy — that the men deemed responsible have been damaged, perhaps permanently.

I do not see how the firing of a defence minister and a chief of intelligence can be interpreted as a "Zionist conspiracy." How many of the Phalangists or their leaders have been the objects of an investigation? How many have been publicly condemned or punished? The shooting,

terrorism and intimidation of Palestinians is still going on in Lebanon. Has Amin Jemayel's administration made any outcry against this? Have the Arab powers made any outcry?

The Arab world once again reveals its inability to understand the Israelis. The Arabs must bear in mind that the judicial system in Israel is a fair and just system, impervious to bribery and government control.

If this is a "Zionist conspiracy," then who do we call to account for the Palestinian massacres of 1970 and 1976? Which state in the Arab world could bring a prime minister — or, indeed any minister or colonel — before a board of inquiry for corruption, bribery or abuse of power?

Why have the real killers not been brought to justice? Why don't the Arabs — instead of flexing their muscles at the Israelis — use that energy to call for a Lebanese investigation into the actual massacres.

I AM a Palestinian who has seen my people massacred again and again in many countries. I see in the Kahan Report a positive and encouraging sign that the much-vaunted Jewish conscience is alive and well in Israel. I have hopes that this healthy conscience will express itself, politically, on behalf of my Palestinian rights.

The tragic and needless death of Emil Grunzweig indicates that there are peace-loving Israelis who are willing to give up not only settlements, but also their lives, for the

Dry Bones



sake of a real peace and for the sake of the authentic Jewish conscience. I urge the Arab world to think about, and to interpret, what this spirit in Israel means; what it means to the future of Arab-Israeli relations.

It is easy for the Arabs and Palestinians to talk about the anti-Palestinian policies of Israel. Why do we not give equal attention to the well-intentioned Israelis who openly deplore those policies of the present government. This peace-seeking faction badly needs to hear some positive appreciation and recognition from those Arabs who also seek a rapprochement.

I, as a Palestinian, am satisfied with the Kahan Commission's in-

vestigation and findings. I did not ask the commission to "discover" that Israelis carried guns into Sabra and Shatilla and killed women and children. I asked only that the truth be uncovered and broadcast to the world, and that those Israelis who bore responsibility be punished for their role in the tragedy.

The Israelis who demanded the inquiry, those who laboured on the investigation, and served it have, to my satisfaction, fulfilled the command. "You shall appoint yourselves judges and officers, tribe by tribe... and they shall dispense justice to the people."

The writer is a Palestinian journalist.

READERS' LETTERS

"FORGED IN FURY"

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In his letter of February 13, Raphael Rothstein has apologized "in advance" if he has "erred in any of the details" he has written concerning my book, "Forged in Fury."

I accept this apology; and I have no wish to revive the controversy that accompanied the original publication of the book in the United States and its present publication in England.

Nevertheless, some errors of fact and of interpretation have crept into Mr. Rothstein's kind letter, and

I am constrained to comment on one of these.

The Hagana and the Jewish authorities in pre-State Palestine did, indeed — as Mr. Rothstein writes — foil the plot to poison the water of a German city. However, they did this not for the reasons Mr. Rothstein has adduced, but — as I have written in the book — because they considered the project to be "dishonourable"... "an outlaw act."

I concur with that judgement.

MICHAEL ELKINS

Jerusalem.

TRAGIC LOSS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — On December 24, you published a story on Kibbutz Na'aran.

Only a few days earlier, on December 19, 25 children from the Amirim school had left Herzliya to volunteer one week of work at this same kibbutz in the framework of Sherut Leumi. The bus in which they travelled overturned and four children lost their lives. Our daughter was one of them. The driver was also killed and several children wounded.

No mention of this appeared in your article and not one word of condolence or sympathy, be it written or oral, has been heard from the "settlers" at Kibbutz Na'aran.

Is this the kind of people we have become?

We mourn the useless loss of our children.

HENRI AND ELZA ZEILIG
Kfar Saba.

The story on Na'aran was researched and written two weeks before it was published. —Ed. J.P.

THE BARANES CASE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We read with great interest D'vora Ben Shaul's article on the trial of Amos Baranes. We call on the Minister of Justice to investigate thoroughly and at every level the entire matter of the trial and conviction of Amos Baranes.

Several matters have emerged that are of great importance: Was evidence that might have cleared Baranes lost or destroyed? Was his investigation held properly? Much that has emerged indicates serious reason to question the protection given to suspects under interrogation.

We believe it is essential that the

matter be thoroughly investigated by an independent body — either a legally appointed commission of inquiry or a regular investigatory body. Only a complete investigation of all the circumstances surrounding the trial of Amos Baranes can prevent these doubts from remaining.

PROFESSOR YEHUDA ELITZUR
DR. AVRAHAM BREICHMAN
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Jerusalem.

MURDER IN SIDON

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — One would have thought, after the many careful analyses of the irresponsible way in which the press used "data" in their coverage of the Lebanon War which your newspaper printed this fall, that your reporters, headline writers, and editors would be exceptionally careful in current reporting. Therefore, I was amazed and shocked to read the front-page article by Charles Hoffman on February 2, "Phalange on terror spree in Sidon." In my opinion, this article exemplifies most of the faults of inaccuracy, misleading data, unreliable sources and evident bias, that have been so aptly criticized in the international press.

According to Mr. Hoffman, there are about 54,000 Palestinians living in Sidon (18,000 in Ein Hilwe and "at least twice that number in other parts of Sidon"). Less than 10 bodies have been found. We are not told the age, sex, or probable cause of death of the seven bodies (according to an anonymous source "in contact with the IDF in Lebanon" — a description which applies, by the way, to any reporter in Lebanon. The IDF says there were five or six bodies, and this is made

to seem like a major discrepancy. Five additional bodies of people who had been killed four or five months ago, are also mentioned, despite the fact that the article discusses a so-called newly-launched campaign of "intimidation and murder," which, one would assume, has not been going on for four or five months.

On this shaky basis, and with mention of "oral threats" and "threatening letters" (with no source for this information), the Phalange are found guilty of a "terror spree" against only those Palestinians who have lived in Lebanon since 1948. How does Mr. Hoffman know that the bodies were not slain by one or another faction of the PLO attempting to intimidate Palestinians who seek to assimilate in Lebanon, for we have read in your paper that the many Palestinians who came to Lebanon in 1948 have been terrorized by the PLO factions who arrived after the expulsion from Jordan? How does he know that they were not killed by personal enemies in some unsettled blood feud? Or even, perhaps, killed by accident? Indeed, if this is a "terror spree" and "campaign of murder," and has only caused five,

six or even seven deaths out of a population of 54,000, it must rate as one of the more ineffective campaigns in history.

BARBARA BERAN

Herzliya.

Charles Hoffman comments: When encountering a story involving a threat to human life that cannot be immediately substantiated in full detail, journalists face a dilemma. Should they spend valuable time documenting each fact when in the interim the situation might worsen? Or should they rush into print with an incomplete story based on a reliable source in the hope that exposure will prod the authorities into action?

I chose the latter in this case after my initial inquiries with the IDF led me to conclude that the authorities were trying to keep the problem under wraps. The IDF's later statements that the murders were the problem of the Lebanese police only confirmed my initial impression. Subsequent reports from other sources have confirmed the existence of a Phalangist murder and harassment campaign against the Palestinians, although its precise dimensions still remain unclear.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS. THE RESPECTED Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra is embroiled in a bitter public battle with its conductor and manager over the appointment of a new soloist.

The row began in December when resident conductor Herbert von Karajan cancelled all the orchestra's film and television work in protest at its refusal to accept the appointment of Sabine Meyer, 23, as first clarinet for the orchestra.

Then tension rose when orchestra manager Peter Girth announced that he had given Mrs. Meyer a year's trial contract from next September.

Hanging over the dispute is the death after a heart attack of the orchestra's first violinist, Johannes Blau, 59.

Blau, who had held the position since 1948, had been under stress because of the players' conflict with von Karajan, his daughter-in-law Birgitte told the West German newspaper *Bild*.

The affair also has a hint of male chauvinism. There is only one woman among the 80 or so members of the orchestra and she was vigorously opposed by the members when hired last year.

The century-old rules of the orchestra give its members the right to veto any new performer after a test.

After Girth's decision to award Mrs. Meyer the contract, the orchestra demanded his dismissal by West Berlin's governing senate, saying he had lost their trust.

"The orchestra emphatically protests at the disregard of its rights by the manager," it said in a resolution.

Girth says the year's contract is the trial period on which Mrs. Meyer will be judged. The orchestra says it has heard her play and has decided against her.

PS. AN AIRPLANE wing found in the Mediterranean may be due to the fate of French writer and aviator Antoine de Saint-Exupery, who disappeared 38 years ago while on a World War II reconnaissance mission.

Saint-Exupery, one of France's best-known modern writers, was also a commercial pilot who served as a military flyer. He disappeared July 31, 1944 at the age of 44 and no trace of his aircraft ever was found. Recently, however, a fisherman working in the Fos gulf off the southern coast of France came up with a 6-metre plane wing that officials think could be that of a reconnaissance aircraft used by Saint-Exupery's squadron.

The Ministry of the Sea said the test flight centre at Istres was trying to identify the wing to determine if it came from the P38-F5B, number 223, flown by the writer-pilot on his final flight.

Saint-Exupery was last seen when he took off from the reconnaissance groups' airfield near Bastia, Corsica, for a photographic mission over the Alpine region near Grenoble.

He was best known for his *Night Flight*, published in 1932, *Wind Sand and Stars*, 1939, and his fable *The Little Prince*, in 1943.

PS. WITH an increasing awareness of the dangers posed by fires in buildings, many firms have begun to manufacture materials which are added to the building components to render them non-flammable.

Recently a glut of these materials became evident in Europe. But relief was at hand. A DM20 million conflagration at the West German firm of Kalk reduced stocks and caused demand to draw parallel with supply again.

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